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Britain gains from EEC

Only West Germany was a net contributor to the EEC budget last year, according to revised figures from the European Commission. Britnin; benefiting from a special stop-gap rebate deal negotiand in 1980, received about 118m more from the Community than it paid in. The figures will put extra pressure on British nego-nators, but they will say that freak conditions combined to mean Britain paid only £715m while receiving £733m. Farm deal, page 7

Car bombing wave in Ulster

A wave of car bomb attacks A wave of car bomb attacks across Northern Ireland caused extensive damage soon after a police warning that the Provisionial IRA was intent on provoking more violence (Richard Ford writes.) Five car bombs and an incendiary device went off within an hour of each other. No one was thought to be seriously injured, although a number of people, including a policeman, were slightly hurt at Strabane, co Tyrone. A woman collapsed and had to be treated for shock when the biggest bomb exploded in the biggest bomb exploded in

Trade talks aim to ease tension

Officials from the EEC, the United States, Japan and Canada will meet next month near Paris in and attempt to defuse growing tensions over world trade. The meeting will follow the style of the talks held at Key Biscayne, Florida, in January.

Racialism pledge Mr Roy Hattersley, shadow Home Secretary, defended his pledge to dismiss police officers guilty of racialism, if he held office, despite strong protests from senior policemen Page 2

Furs campaign

An animal protection group is to campaign against the sale of fur coats made from endangered species after a Manchester company was fined £750 for selling a leopard skin coat.

Oueen's Awards

The first British company to ware to Japan is among 110 winners of this year's Queen's Awards for export and technology announced today. Awards were made to 19 firms for technological advancement.

Labour pay deal A wage-bargaining deal is emerging from talks between party leaders and the TUC which could make Labour's general election manifesto

more attractive to the political middle groundPage 3



Mr John Whitney, age 51, managing director of Capital Radio, has been appointed to the £40,000 a year post of director-general of the Inde-pendent Broadcasting Authority in succession to Sir Brian Young. His appointment was welcomed by an industry spokesman as "in-teresting and imaginative"

Page 2 Cricket shadow

The shadow cast by the Test ban on several of England's best players falls heavily across the new cricket sea-son, John Woodcock writes Page 19

Leader page, 13 Letters: On the Falklands, from Lord Jenkins of Putney, and others; damaged pave-ments, from Mr G Chainey; safeguarding countryside, from Mr Guy Somerset Leading articles: Falklands; Council rents

Features, pages 9, 12 Roger Boyes considers the Polish paradox; walkers back on the warpath; British Rail's vision for the 1990s Obituary, page 14

Brigadier Frederick Baston, Mr William Huntley

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Pym off to US for talks on Britain's proposals

By Julian Haviland, Political Editor

The Cabinet met for an But Mr Pym, when he met hour last night to receive from Mr Pym an outline of backbench foreign affairs the Argentine terms which committee last night, was Mr Haig conveyed to London told again and again that The Cabinet met for an on Monday night, and to withdrawal of the Argentine consider the nature of the forces must be unconresponse which is being ditional. Only a minority of fromulated in detail by Mrs the 20 or so MPs who Margaret Thatcher, the questioned him appeared to fromulated in detail by Mrs Margaret Thatcher, the Prime Minister, with four of her senior colleagues and with the Chief of Defence Staff. This inner group, which met last night, is to

meet again today.
The Argentine proposals, which Mr Haig has transmitted but not endorsed, have not been disclosed. Nor was any indication available last night of the British Government's attitude beyond Mrs Thatcher's words to the House of Commons yesterday, when she said that she could not disguise that the Argentine proposals fell short, in some important respects, of the objectives and requirements as expressed in the Commons.

Parliamentary report Other Falklands news Leading article, letters 13

Mrs Thatcher added that, among the many problems which the Argentine proposals presented, was that they failed to assure that the Falkland Islanders should be sble to determine their own

destiny.
Announcing Mr Pym's journey to Washington, Mrs Thatcher said that the Government regarded the Argentine proposals as a stage in the negotiating process which must now be continued. She told ques-tioners that she believed Mr Haig to be "a good and appropriate negotiator", and she added that the Government remained committed to seeking a diplomatic solution "if one can possibly be found that is acceptable".

Last night ministers, while revealing nothing of the Argentine proposals, and continuing to emphasize the

British counter-proposals difficulty of building a soluto the latest Argentine proposals for a settlement of the Falkland Islands dispute are now for the first time in to be sent to Washington today. Mr Francis Pym, the through Washington. It was Foreign Secretary, will fly there tomorrow to discuss them with Mr Alexander Haig, the American Secretary of State, who is acting as mediator.

British counter-proposals difficulty of building a solution upon them, said that britain and Argentina were now for the first time in negotiation with one another through Washington. It was not denied that Argentina through Washington. It was not denied to withdraw its troops from the Falklands, an offer formally conveyed for the first time on Monday might.

recognize that unconditional withdrawal might be unat-

There was praise afterwards for Mr Pym's skill in to keep the Union Jack flying deflecting challenging questions, but little willingness to allow him room for allow him room for month has brought Britain to RAF Brize Norton, with seven other marines captured and the was speaking only hours after they had flown in to RAF Brize Norton, with seven other marines captured are the Falklands themselves

Another, Mr Anthony Marlowe, argued that it would be bad for the morale of the armed services if the task force came back without having been used, for in-stance to take back the island

of South Georgia.

Mr Pym gave no ground, saying to Mr Marlowe that it might be best for morale if the troops came back, like the grand old Duke of York's men, having contributed to a diplomatic solution and with



Politicians exploit divisions in junta

Argentina's military junta about the possibility of a is looking increasingly weak and vulnerable amid persistent rumours of deep divisions over the Falklands great courage in its coverage of the Falklands crisis.

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parties, which are not sup-rule. posed to be active but are

restiveness and instructed tarian military regime, its General Alfredo Saint Jean, position would be far better the Interior Minister, to meet than it is now.

13 leading politicians today in "Had an elected governjunta's latest position.

The possibility of a change likelihood an even more in government is being important factor than the widely discussed and several need to demonstrate that leading politicians are privately mooting the idea of a significant power despite its transitional arrangement under which civilian members of a new administration would be chosen by some form of limited election.

met here this morning to

consider Argentine moves to invoke the 1947 Inter-Ameri-

can Treaty of Reciprocal Assistance, otherwise known

as the Rio treaty, in the

Despite opposition from the United States, the OAS

was expected to approve a

request by Argentina to initiate prelimainary dis-

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"an armed attack by any

after Mr Alexander Haig, the

Secretary of State, arrived In a back in Washington from Prancisco

Falklands crisis.

nevertheless asserting themselves over the need to of the last few weeks that ment.

The junta is obviously ment and not an authorise tarian military regime, its It said: "There can be little

an attempt to placate them, ment been in power Great They have publicly chastised Britain's drive to recapture the regime for not keeping the disputed south Atlantic people properly informed of islands would probably have developments in the been far less intense than it.

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night

tainable.

wards for Mr Pym's skill in deflecting challenging questions, but little willingness to allow him room for manoeuvre. One backbencher, Mr Winston Churchill, suggested that British V-bombers would have to attack installations on the Argentine mainland, but he had little support.



From Christopher Thomas, Buenos Aires, April 20

Their apparent disarray is published a leading article being exploited by political sharply attacking military

One or two Argentine newspapers have published cautiously-worded hints lands crisis and there is little doubt that all but a few continued on back page, col 4 entine doubt that all but a few Polish visit, page 7
hints continued on back page, col 4 Falkland insurance, page 15

mainland port.
Lieutenant Keith Mills, aged 22, from Amlwch, Gwynedd, told a press con-

Insurers think papal visit is off

barely limped back to its

By Henry Stanhope

A young Royal Marine officer yesterday described how be and 21 others fought

By David Hewson

Lloyd's insurance underwriters believe that the Pope's visit will be called off because of the Falklands crisis. By last night, only one underwriter was offering contingency cover against the cancellation of the tour and that was at the rate of a 20 per sent premium of the content of the content of the content of a content of the content 20 per cent premium of the amount covered. Before the crisis, many

underwriters were accepting cover on the basis of a three to five per cent premium, but, according to the director of the main brokers involved. many businesses facing large losses because of a cancel-lation remain uncovered.

Mr John Kelvey Brown, a director of the broking firm Adam Brothers Contingency Insurance, said yesterday: "Our market has now folded up. Nobody is accepting the business.

Adams, thought to have handled the bulk of the contingency insurance for the visit, has placed £2m, compared with £12m spent on contingency insurance for the Royal Wedding.

The £2m spent on the Pope's visit came mainly from large companies involved in the sale of mementoes. Mr Kelvey Brown said that catering firms and companies dealing with the travel arrangements for the visit were among the larger visit were among the larger groups still uncovered.

"A lot of people have a lot of money riding on this visit. They could be left with a lot of worthless trinkets and souvenirs on their hands,"

The £2m placed through Adams could represent a total loss of up to about £60m for the Lloyd's market in the event of a cancellation. But brokers now believe that the property would be much less. pay-out would be much less. The companies would only recompense manufacturers for unsold stock, and sales could still reach healthy

Dais burnt, page 3

OAS to hear Argentina's case

From Nicholas Ashford and Mohsin Ali, Washington, April 20 The 30-nation Organization Buenos Aires. He was due to Uruguayan chairman of the of American States (OAS) confer with President OAS's Permanent Council,

Reagan later today. Upon arrival at Andrews Air Force base at 3.10 am local time Mr Baig said his attempts to resolve the crisis peacefully would continue and that his next step was to

by Argentina. That response reached here this morning, just as the treaty, which stipulates that OAS was starting its meeting, with the announcement by state against an American Mrs Thatcher that the pro-state shall be considered as posals fell short of British an attack all American objectives and that Mr states,"

The meeting began hours

after Mr Alexander Haig, the

Washington on Thursday.

In a letter to Senor

Bustillo,

requesting that today's session be held. Senor Raul await Britain's response to includes nuclear submarines the latest proposal forwarded and other nuclear elements, mainland and its people."

Quijano, the Argentine representative, denounced "the grave situation posed by the presence and advance of the British war fleet, which within the region referred to in article 4 (of the Rio treaty), for intimidation and belligerent purposes directed against the Argentine Repub-lic, its island territory and A vote on holding a meeting of the special consultative group reguires only a simple majority of the 21

signatories, and an OAS source said approval was

certain.

war.

He said that after two and 13 scientists of the British Antartic Survey. hours of heavy and continuous firing between 10 and 15 Argentine commandos lay

body else. Every man was prepared to die for the

RAF onlookers gave them Argentine commandos lay a hero's welcome, cheering dead, at least 20 more were and clapping as they stepped wounded, two helicopters had off the VC10, to be met by been shot down and a Mr Jerry Wiggin, Parliamen-corvette so badly crippled by tary Under-Secretary for the anti-tank rockets that it Armed Forces, Lieutenant-barely limped back to its General Sir Steuart Pringle, Commandant-General Royal Marines and Mr Rex Hunt, Governor of the Falkland Islands, expelled by the

Heros' welcome: Lieutenant Mills (centre) and his men are greeted by Sir Steuart Pringle (left) and Mr Jerry Wiggin

Marine describes South Georgia battle

have been achieved by any-body else. Every man was Falklands, when an Argen-belicopter with 20 comprepared to die for the time officer landed at Grytvinandos on board which the British line of retreat. He reasons that we were there, ken from the patrol ship prepared to land 100 yards walked down to the beach Falklands, when an Argenhelicopter with 20 com-tine officer landed at Grytvi-mandos on board which ken from the patrol ship prepared to land 100 yards reasons that we were there, ken from the patrol ship prepared to land 100 yards and 1 was very proud of them."

He was speaking only "Our reply was that we helicopter which backed hours after they had flown in to RAF Brize Norton, with seven other marines captured said. A corvette was then of the bay, "No marines were in the seven of the bay," No marines were in the seven of the bay, "No marines were in the seven of the bay," No marines were in the seven of the bay, "No marines were in the seven of the bay," No marines were in the seven of the bay, "No marines were in the seven of the bay," No marines were in the seven of the bay, "No marines were in the seven of the bay," No marines were in the seven of the bay, "No marines were in the seven of the bay."

on the Falklands themselves seen steaming towards the seen to descend from it", and 13 scientists of the shore and an Alouette heli-Lieutenant Mills said.

British Antartic Survey.

They hit the corvette more copter appeared overhead.

After evacuating the British scientists to a nearby church, he went down to the tank rocket which fell 10 jetty to negotiate with the yards short but failed to Argentines, but retreated detonate and ploughed with his men to a defensive through the water to strike position of trenches and the ship below the waterline. booby traps which they had prepared the previous day, rocket hits on the vessel when one of the Argentine which returned to sea and soldiers from the helicopter, jumped out on landing and aimed his rifle.

They also scored 66mm which returned to sea and replied with its 100mm cannon in the bows.

Lieutenant Mills surrented to service the service of the s

ference at the Ministry of Argentine occupying troops. aimed his rifle.

Lieutenant Mills surrenDefence: "What we did at The battle of South GeorGrytviken I don't think could gia took place on April 3, a who opened the firing, howdespite losing a second

holding a coat with white lining and told the Argentine marine commander that he and his men had achieved their main objective. "We had forced the Argen-

tines to take South Georgia by military action. They could not possibly say that they marched in without any military resistance"; D Fifteen scientists still in hiding on South Georgia are becoming increasingly wor-ried for their own safety (the

Press Association reports). The group and two women film makers — Cindy Buxton and Annie Price — believe the Argentines may try to use them as a lever in negotiations, according to Dr Ray Adie, deputy director of the British Antarctic Survey.

Doubts on

MPs allowed three votes on return of hanging

By Anthony Bevins, Political Correspondent

Mr William Whitelaw, the division of the House But Mr something which is not Home Secretary, has decided Whitelaw has decided that the expected, than the Home that the House of Commons rules should be altered, Office would come forward should be allowed a special because of the sensitivity of one-day debate, with as many such a unique issue.

as three votes, on capital Pressure for a fresh debate punishment before the end of and vote has been overnext month.

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nal Justice Bill, which is now and four other national due to return to the Comnewspapers last month, askmons for its report stage. separate amendments; one to separate amendments; one to reintroduce capital punishment for the murder of policemen and prison warders, another for terrorists who kill in the course of terrorist acts. and another armed robbers who

murder in the course of committing their crimes.

newspapers last month, ask-ing for public support for the Mr Vivian Bendall, Con-return of capital punishment, servative MP for Ilford, Mr Bendall said at the time North, last night tabled three that Parliament should be given another chance to vote on the issue because of the sharp increase in crimes of. violence including those against police.

against poince.

The last vote on the death penalty was taken in the Commons in July, 1979, when it was rejected by 362 votes

If the Commons decides to Normally, such amend-ments would not be allocated reverse that view on any of one day for debate and Mr Bendall's amendments,

Office would come forward with a new Bill to implement

three separate amendments because previous Commons votes had been across the board and that had proved an obstacle for some MPs who would have wanted capital punishment for the murder of policemen, but did not want to see the return of the death penalty for other murder offences. He said: "There are some

MPs who do not want capital punishment for terrorists, for fear of making martyrs against capital punishment for terrorists and armed robbers, killing in the pursuit

conviction By Frances Gibb Serious doubts over the

murder

conviction of Paul Cleeland, a Stevenage decorator serving a 20-year sentence for murder, are disclosed in a special investigation by The Times published today. Inconsistencies in

evidence and an extraordi-

nary sequence of errors in prison records have led MPs, lawyers and now an indepensupport the case for a retrial. The Home Office has already produced its own confidential report on the discrepancies, which it refuses to publish. Mr Bowen Wells, Conservative MP for Hertford and Stevenage, said or fear of making martyrs yesterday that he was calling He thought that majorities on the Home Secretary to release the report to

light on some of the very worrying aspects of this Case for a retrial, page 9

Israeli curbs on Sinai reporting anger media

From Christopher Walker, Jerusalem, April 20 The Israeli Government spectacular protest suicides

has become involved in a may yet be averted. birter clash with all sections In today's Hig of the media and with foreign session, the judges accepted the submission by the State determination to restrict Attorney that widespread media coverage would hinder ation of occupied Sinai.

Last night Israel tele-vision's main news bulletin halted for a minute to protest Begin personally told at the military restrictions delegation from the influenat the military restrictions and today's newspapers appeared with a coordinated black space on their front pages in a similar protest.

a delegation representation of the prime management of the prime management of the prime management. The prime management of the prime black speeds in a similar protest.
Later, a delegation representing Israeli editors and the local journalists' association was forcibly turned back at an Army roadblock where members attempted to enter members attempted to enter follows a dispute with the

Association against the new a seven-week Army barricade orders barring coverage of imposed on four Druze Arab the emotional Sinai evacu-villages in the annexed Golan ation, in which more than Heights.
2,000 diehards still have to be Even papers often symremoved. The association pathetic to the Government represents some 200 foreign have spoken out strongly.

Today, the state-controlled srael Radio — whose own reporter described how he

from the extreme right-wing security forces — disclosed Kash movement who have that 12 foreign journalists been threatening to commit from nine different countries mass suicide in a large air raid shelter which they have fortified and equipped with ments in the town. been threatening to commit emergency rations.

Tomorrow, their Brooklynborn leader, Rabbi Meir Kahane, is expected to arrive from New York in a last-ditch effort to persuade his young followers to abandon their death threat.

The protesters have refused attempts by Israel's two chief rabbis to rescind their threat to commit suicide at 30-minute inter-vals. But the decision of Rabbi Kahane to travel personally to the bunker, nicknamed Masada, has raised local hopes that the

In today's High Court session, the judges accepted the evacuation, which is being carried out by some 20,000 troops. Earlier, Mr

inai without permits. follows a dispute with the Judges in the High Court Israeli newspaper editors and in Jerusalem rejected an the television company over appeal by the Foreign Press prohibitions on reporting of

Among the Sinai protestors reporter described how he is a group of about 20 zealots had evaded capture by the

The reporters issued a statement to the army threatening to resist eviction if they were not allowed to freely report the removal of

☐ The United States vetoed a Security Council resolution condemning recent shooting incidents on Jerusalem's Temple Mount as "appalling acts of Sacrilege". The vote was 14 in favour and one against but the negative vote by the United States killed the draft.

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survey was conducted Dr George Moyser of inchester University. The esults are published in the magazine of the synod's Board for Social Responsibility, Crucible.

Chemicals were wrongly buried'

The decision to bury chemicals at Craigmillar in Edinburgh was wrong, it was admitted yesterday at a committee meeting to investi-gate the explosion they caused in a council refuse tip last month.

Dr Jag Cook, of the environmental safety group at Harwell, said it was unfortunate that the barrels from a demolished fireworks factory were buried together. It was likely that the combination of magnesium and sulphur had reacted and exploded. The last barrel was dug up last night.

Island sold for £30,000

A Cardiff college principal Mrs Meinir Llewelyn, aged 39 was told yesterday that her bid of just over £30,000 had brought her the ownership of the 14 acre Sully Island 500 yards from the mainland, near Cardiff.

As she and the students at her private careers college celebrated with champagne, she revealed plans for a £250,000 health farm on the

Third child dies after house fire A third child has died after

the fire which swept through a council house in Durham on Monday. Paul Grainger, aged 10 months, died at Middlesbrough General Hospital early today.

His brother Gary, aged five died in the fire at the family home in Cumbrian Place, Newton Aycliffe, and his sister Kathy, aged two, died soon afterwards. Action over cars

on pavements

Motorists who park on the pavement in central London could face prosecution and a bill for damages this summer. Westminster City Council has decided to enforce the law which makes it an offence to drive on to pedestrian areas. The council said damaged

pavements were a big prob-lem, especially for the blind, handicapped and parents with pushchairs.

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Kind neighbours helped on a rota basis, and meals on

wheels came three times a week. But for the rest Florrie

had to cope for months until finally a place in a

residential home was found for her. Others in similar great need aren't so lucky. Struggling with disability they

have also had to struggle at the very time when life

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FEELING SORRY'S

Hattersley firm on dismissal of racist police

Mr Roy Hattersley MP last would appear to be danger-night defended his promise ous and certainly unlikely to to dismiss policemen found result in a fair and just guilty of racialism if he decision", he added. becomes Home Secretary in Mr Jardine said: "We are the next Labour government, not condoning racial disafter fierce criticism from police leaders.

The decision is not decision, he added. "We are the next Labour government, not condoning racial disafter fierce criticism from police leaders."

Chief Supt John Keyte, code is effective for dealing national secretary of the with complaints of this Police Superintendents' kind." Police Superintendents' Association, yesterday called the pledge frightening and said there was no justification for one group of workers to have a fixed penalty of dismissal hanging tures within society in situations where a community

over their heads.

Mr Jim Jardine, chairman ations where a community of the Police Federation, which represented junior and (David Hewson writes).

which represented junior and middle-ranking officers, said he was in total disagreement with Mr Hattersley and welcomed the firm stand by the superintendents' organization.

(David Hewson writes).

It was optimistic for anyone to believe that community policing or the reintroduction of the man on the beat could cure the sickness. Mr Hattersley, the shadow of present-day society, Mr Oxford told a seminar at the Secretary, said in a speech at the weekend that if he held office a police officer found guilty of racialist of said to the secretary of present-day society, Mr Oxford told a seminar at the International Fire, Security and Safety Conference in Olympia, London. found guilty of racialist behaviour "will be a police "In its broadest sense, the

behaviour "will be a police officer no longer".

Last night he added: "I would have thought the police would have agreed with the views expressed by myself and Lord Scarman that the dismissal of officers found guilty of racialism is crucial to improving the term community policing implies the consent and cooperation of the community for police action. It also implies that tight-knit communities sharing common values for the benefit of all, can be influenced towards good citizenship and crucial to improving the relationship between them and ethnic minorities in this

towards good citizenship and thus have a direct bearing on the level of local crime, vandalism and disorder.

"However, what if the communal values are not supportive of law and order? In this case the police will be obliged to work against that community. Perhaps this is not so far-fetched as it sounds. country". Mr Keyte said: "The police service is united in its desire to rid itself of officers who are guilty of racialism and we do this under the existing discipline code.

The position of Home sounds.

Secretary carried a duty and responsibility to act as the tures of some communities final appeal court against are such — street crime, drug taking, illegal drinking either a guilty finding or taking, illegal drinking sentence under the discipline — that inevitably the police code. To commence a duty will come into conflict with with streng commenciance with the streng commence with the streng commence of the strength of the stren with such strong convictions them.

The Commons has spent

£3.25m on refurbishing the Old Scotland Yard building, known, after the architect, as

over recent years on a limited annual budget of

£200,000 a year for two years.

Commons seeks private money for MPs' offices

By Anthony Bevins, Political Correspondent

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The Commons is to investigate the possibility of finding private finance to construct a Thames embankment and new parliamentary building at Westminster.

The plans, for which private backing is to be seven-storey, granite office sought, were presented to Parliament in 1979 by Sir flat for the Leader of the Hugh Casson and Mr David. Opposition, a riverside respondent of the Bridge Street taurant for MPs, a private terrace garden, a swimming pool, and scope for a £5m underground car park.

The Commons has spent The scheme was vetoed by the Prime Minister in 1980

because of the cost, then estimated at £122m over a decade. But a report issued by the Select Committee on House of Commons Services Vesterday recommended that yesterday recommended that neighbouring Norman Shaw the idea should be resur-

A resolution endorsed by Mr Francis Pym on March 30, when he was Leader of the House, agreed that a subcommittee should "undertake an inquiry into the feasability of, and the advantages derived from, securing the assistance of private funds, in whole or in part, of the implementation of Sir the implementation of Sir chairs.
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Hugh Casson's plans for the development of the Bridge Street site."

continued wage settlements at the level of the past few years will endanger the industry's future. Mr John Baker, board's commercial member, has told the industry's national house newspaper Power News that "excessive

pay settlements this year can only worsen the board's position to the detriment of our staff". His comments may be seen by unions oficials as an attempt to influence the course of the present ballot among 35,000 manual workers on an 8.5 per The board, however, ap-

pears more seriously con-cerned about the possible effects of a confrontation with its 25,000 power engineers who are dismayed about what they say is the erosion of differentials over their manual colleagues.

Mr John Lyons, general secretary of the Electrical Power Engineers' Association, told his union's conference of the secretary of the secretary of the electrical power Engineers' Association, told his union's conference of the secretary of the secretary

ence earlier this month that industrial action was "very possibly unavoidable" if the Electricity Council, the em-ployers' negotiating body, failed to improve differentials. Mr Baker says in his

interview that over the last five years average earnings in the industry have rises faster than prices and elec-tricity costs, while the work-ing week has been cut to 37 ☐Mr Arthur Scargill, president of the National Union of

Mineworkers, yesterday promised backing for Kent miners in their fight to deep open the threatened Snowdown colliery. Mr Tom McGee, the union's mining engineer is to undertake an "appraisal" of the colliery with the aim of producing a plan to maintain at least 700 of the 850 jobs at the pit.

Union leaders representing the country's 17,000 ambulancemen rejected, as expected, a pay offer worth 5 per cent for this year. The ambulancemen will be asked to include the second sec join industrial action called by the Confederation of Health Service Employees and recommended by the National Union of Public Employees. The offer is 4 per cent plus £1.3m for transfer-

☐ Daily Mail members of the National Union of Journalists have accepted a pay deal said by management to yield increases of between 5 and 7 per cent plus an extra week's holiday. Executives had to produce last Friday's issue because of 24-hour mandatory meetings of NUJ mem-bers in London and Manemployed at Lime Grove, Shepherd's Bush, West Lon-

don, on current affairs Yesterday's services committee report also suggeste that the new investigation should include the possibility of MPs taking over refurbished accommodation in Palace Chambers mart of the should include the possibility of MPs taking over refurbished accommodation in Palace Chambers, part of the Bridge Street complex, "pending any other solution" to the shortage of office to the shortage of office space.



Mr George Howard, chairman of the BBC, with Miss Clair Bloom at the reception before a Foyle's luncheon yesterday in honour of Miss Bloom, whose autobiography was published recently.

Anger over command bunker on trust land

By Hugh Clayton, Environment Correspondent · Embarrassed leaders of the

The National Trust has decided to allow the Ministry of Defence to build an underground bunker on its land, to house the main communications centre for the air defence of the United Kingdom. The decision has plunged the trust into deep internal controversy, with some members calling for a special meeting to have the decision reversed.

The trust declined

comment yesterday about its long bargaining with the ministry but it is understood to be ready to sign a lease with strict conditions. These with strict conditions. These are thought to involve access for forries during building and restoration of the steep Chiltern landscape, once construction has finished.

The bunker, which will be covered by a mound 30ft high, will replace the 40-year-old underground communications centre at nearby RAF High Wycombe. The new unit

High Wycombe. The new unit will provide a command headquarters for RAF Strike Command and for the Nato commander of United King-

was acquired 25 years ago.
Some of its million mem bers consider the move to be a political alignment of the trust with Nato's nuclear defence policy. Others fear that it will weaken the protection of the trust. The trust was given the Bradenham estate on condition that it applied its unique power to make it impossible to sell or split it without the permission of Parliament. The trust has since disclosed that it would have preferred not to give full protection to parts of the estate, including the field where the bunker will be built.

It is satisfied that the fear
of conservationist about the

National Trust face two criticizms of its willingness to accept the bunker in a field on the edge of the 1,100-

acre Bradenham estate which

environmental impact of the hole needed for the bunker are unjustified. The water table is far deeper than the hole at 85 metres, so that pumping out will not be necessary.

'Innovative' IBA chief By Kenneth Gosling

Mr John Whitney, the companies providing promanaging director of Capital grammes and facilities for both radio and television. He appointed to the £40,000 a year post of director-general of the Independent Broadcasting Authority, is one of the radio industry's most colourful characters. colourful characters.

His name had not been listed among the half-dozen candidates for the job, but in becoming only the third director-general of the authority, succeeding Sir Brian Young next October, he will be warmly welcomed from all sides of radio and television.

Mr Whitney, aged 51, became managing director of Capital Radio in 1973, having earlier been associated with

the company would miss his guidance and "and the inno-vative flair he lavished on the

Before joining Capital Radio Mr Whitney, who is married to former ballet dancer Roma Duncan and has two children, formed companies responsible for such television successes as Upstairs, Downstairs, Danger UXB and The Flame Trees of

copies cause loss of £750,000

Five leading film and video companies have lost £750,000 through an operation based around a video conterfeiting "factory", the High Court was told yesterday.

The factory, above a betting shop in Northampton, contained 46 recorders producing content of films such

ducing copies of films such as Superman, 10, and Water-ship Down, Mr Robin Jacob, QC, told the court. They seized under a court order by the companies' agents. In what is thought to be

the biggest case of alleged video piracy so far, more than a dozen individuals and companies have been bound by a variety of undertakings and court orders granted over the last formight not to coatinue their operations or remove any assets. New orders were made by Mr Justice Whitford yesterday, who also ordered a company of distributors to disclose details of tape sales, worth £104,000, to the operation.

The companies bringing the action are all members of

the action are all members of the British Videogram
Association which claims
that more than half the prerecorded video tapes sold in
Britain are pirated.



Sale to test art market

By Geraldine Norman Sale Room Correspondent

An important Renaissance portrait which cannot be exported from Britain is to be offered for sale at Sotheby's today. It is an unprecedented test of the internal art market. The painting above is a portrait attributed to Alessandro Allori of a handsome young Florentine holding a cameo. holding a cameo.

holding a cameo.
It as acquired by Baron Mayer Amschel de Rothschild in the nineteenth century, passed through the marriage of his daughter Hamah to the Rosebery collection, and was thus among the treasures of Memmore auctioned by Sotheby's for Lord Rosebery in 1977. The price then was £38,500

The Government had combed The Government had combed the Mentmore collection for "national treasures" before the auction and it was a fair assumption that the rest could be freely exported. Not so. Mr Bradford Walker, of Long Island, United States, purchased the Allori and applied for an export license. It was refused, to allow British institutions two It was refused to allow British institutions two months to find the purchase

A two-month stop is exceptionally short and an indication that this was not an important political issue. The Ashmolean Museum, Oxford, found the purchase price, however, and offered to buy. Mr Walker refused to sell. Under the rules the Re-

viewing Committee on the Export of Works of Art were then operating, the penalty for that was an indefinite export ban. That appears to mean that the committee will not consider reopening the case until 1987, save for some material change in circum-

Tracing the origin of ancient

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artefacts By the staff of "Nature" Traces of lead and ancient copper and bronze artefacts are revealing the origins of the metal from

which the objects were made, two Oxford archaeologists have announced.

Noël Gale of the Department of Geology and Mineralogy and his wife Zofia Stos-Gale of the Ashmolean Museum, Oxford, have developed a technique which makes use of the socalled "isotopic compo-sition" of the lead traces.

ent mines have different isotopic compositions, so an investigator can dis-tinguish which mine produced the metal contained in a particular object.
"Isotopic compositions"
are an advance on previous

methods of trace metal analysis because they are unaffected by chemical treatment, such as the smelting which reduces an smelting which reduces an ore to the metal.

Isotopes are atoms of exactly the same chemical nature, but slightly different weights (they have differing numbers of neutrons in the atomic nucleus). These weights can be distinguished by modern techniques, but were all treated alike by ancient

technology. Previously the Gales have worked with Aegean silver, which contains large lead impurities, and have shown that much of it came from a single mine Laurion in Attica. The dominance of the Laurion silver mine in classical times was known from historical evidence, but it was a surprise to find that it also played a major role

But a greater surprise has come with the Gales' work on copper and bronze (which is technically more difficult as the lead content is much smaller). They find that of 22 Aegean artefacts analysed, half also came from Laurion. It was previously unknown that Laurion played a great role in copper production as well as in silver. The great prize now,

much earlier.

however, must be the analysis of the ox-hide ingots of copper, which are found in Cyprus, Crete, Turkey, central Greece, Sicily, and Sardinia, and are also seen in Egyptian tomb paintings. These represented a major Bronze Age trade in metal; but there is still great controversy over the origin and movement of the ingots.

Applied to them, the Oxford isotope method may

produce yet more archaeo-logical surprises. page 11) 1982. O Nature-Times News Service, (1982).

Fewer opt for private education

By Diana Geddes Education Correspond

Education Correspondent
The number of pupils attending the 1,300 public and preparatory schools belonging to the Independent Schools Information Service (Isis) has fallen for the first time since the service started carrying out its national census eight years ago.

Figures released yesterday by Isis, which represents half of all independent schools in Britain and three quarters of the pupils, indicate that the total number of pupils at member schools fell this year by about 4,000 to just over 400,000. The drop might have been much bigger had there not been an addition for the first time of nearly 5,000 pupils under the Government's assisted places scheme
Mr Tun Devin, director of

scheme
Mr Tim Devlin, director of
Isis, pointed out that the
4,000 reduction represented a
drop of only 1 per cent
compared with a drop in the
total school population of 2½
per cent, but conceded that
the independent schools with
their predominance of pupils
in social classes 1 and II,
were probably less affected
by the fall in the birth rate
than state schools.

The drop is to be expected The drop is to be expected in view of increasing in-flation and the fact that many

parents' pockets have been hit by recession and redun-dancies", Mr Devlin said. "If is surprising that numbers is surprising that numbers is surprising that numbers have held up as well as they have done, and encouraging that they appear to have held up well in the sixth form.

The survey indicates that average fees at Headmasters (Conference (HMC) schools (the top 210 predominants)

(the top 210 predominant) boys' public schools) are now just over £3,300 a year-for boarding

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Tory 'money back' pledge to voters lope schools and colleges, only for those candidates (David Walker writes). Mr Neil Kinnock MP, the form of the rating system LOCAL ELECTIONS

power in Manchester at the city council elections next month, every ratepayer will be given a rate cut of 10 per cent, the party promised yesterday (our Manchester Correspondent writes).

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wanted to buy their council terday exhorted to vote for Private employers should Scotland the total of candi-homes.

Labour councillors as people urge their employees to vote dates for contested seats is the m municipal elections 15,690.

promise to close three one council departments — planning, architects and estates — and pass to the private Correspondent writes).

Councillor Cecil Franks, leader of the Conservative group, said his party was committed to reversing the rate increase introduced this month by the controlling Labour group. The Tories' election slogan would be: "Vote Conservative and get your money back."

The money would be found

Councillor Cecil Franks, ning, architects and estates — and pass to the private sector the management of property, houses, land, street cleaning and refuse services. They believe that private enterprise will be cheaper and provide a better service. "We are not seeking a confrontation with the trade unions," Councillor Franks

The money would be found by halving the council's planned capital spending programme and, speeding up sales. About 7,000 people London electors were yeswanted to buy their council terday exhorted to vete for

Mr Neil Kinnock MP, the Labour Party's education spokesman, told a press conference that "in spite of severe cuts, the Labour controlled outer London authorities have managed to sustain levels of educational provision better than their Tory counterparts."

He quoted comparative figures showing that most of the London education authorities controlled by Labour orities controlled by Labour (The Press Association reports). Returns show that

provision better than their Tory counterparts."

He quoted comparative figures showing that most of the London education authorities controlled by Labour employed more teachers; provided more nursery classes; and supplied free milk to younger children after the Government stopped subsidizing it.

form of the rating system that will give business people

or the 410 contested seats for the 410 contested seats for 12 regional and islands authorities. Another 110 candidates have been returned unopposed. turned unopposed.

For both England and Scotland the total of candi-

Lothian: Rates loom large in cliff-hanger From Jonathan Wills, Edinburgh

"No, I don't think it will be more bitter than usual," Councillor John Mulvey says, surveying the battlefield for the Lothian Regional Council elections on May 6. Mr Mulvey should know. He is secretary of the Labour group which is defending a majority of one seat.

Disputes with central Government culminated last year in a f30m cut in rate support grant, imposed by

support grant, imposed by the Secretary of State for

Lothian's Labour administ-ration, battered by internal for Lothian claims that most disputes on tactics over the domestic ratepayers will be cuts, is nonetheless confident asked to pay less than 40p a that it will be returned with week extra for the partial an increased majority to restoration of the services confound the Government which have been most badly and vindicate the council's damaged by the cuts. For policy of high spending on example, home helps will be areas of social need.

Others are not so sure. The election has been called a cliff-hanger and there are predictions that the Social Democratic Party/Liberal Alliance will hold the balance of power.

The SDP has one seat, held hy Mr Peter Wilson. a The Conservatives say it is time that the electors asserted their right not to be serted above what they can afford. They say that "the great rates robbery" is driving business out of Scottish local elections. If Edinburgh's city centre. A the Tories cannot do well in depressingly large number of Scotland's capital at a time

the Secretary of State for Scotland as a punishment for "excessive and unreason-contest dominated by local cars out of the city centre, able" council spending which issues, the national appeal of while Mr Mulvey and his "excessive and unreason-contest dominated by local able" council spending which issues, the national appeal of had led to a 250 per cent the Alliance after Hillhead rates increase over four may not be quite enough.

supporters point out that Edinburgh's cheap and fre-quent bus service brings more customers into the big

stores.

Privately, some Labour councillors are worried more by the Scottish National Party than by the Alliance. The SNP budget proposals for Lothian differed little from those of Labour and

The SDP has one seat, held driving business out of Scottish local elections. If Edinburgh's city centre. A the Tories cannot do well in when Scottish local at a time with the help of the Liberals, the Alliance now has an impressive organization but it needs to make a big break-through to get the some effects of the some effects of the state of the season of the se

Labour, called big over-spenders by the Lothian Ratepayers Action Group Executive (RAGE) replies that the Government picked the fight in the first place.

Councillor Mulvey plans to use a barrage of statistics in the council or stati

the campaign, including the calculation that the Govern-ment's share of local authdropped from 62 per cent of the total to 43 per cent in six

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Reservoir inquiry for third time

A third public inquiry opened in Devon yesterday into the plan to build a 700-designed to make Labour's achieved.

A deal on wage bargaining others that we have not yet designed to make Labour's achieved.

Mr Basnett, who is strongly influencing talks aimed at into me paid to build a 700-acrs reservoir at Roadford, to the west of Dartmoor (Craig Seton writes). Years of uncertainty have

surrounded the plan and farming interests remain opposed to the use of farming interests remain opposed to the use of agricultural land for the scheme which was originally intended as part of the South West Water Authority's strategy up to the year 2011. The public inquiry, at Okehampton, was ordered by Mr. Michael Heseltine, Secretary of State for the Environment. Although he now accepts that the resernow accepts that the reservoir should be at Roadford, he has asked that its size should be reconsidered and that is the only issue now to be decided.

Ar yesterday's hearing, however, Mr Peter Mills, Conservative MP for West Devon, asked the inquiry inspector to recommend that the reservoir should not be on valuable farmland. The Dartmoor Preservation So-ciety is keeping a watching brief.

Southend cells for skinhead

A new approach to sen-tencing Bank holiday trouble tencing Bank holiday trouble makers was adopted by Southend magistrates yesterday. Instead of being fined heavily or sent to prison one young London skinhead was ordered to stay in the local police cells until Saturday to give him time to reflect on give him time to reflect on his helaviour s behaviour.

Gary Guymer, aged 17, unemployed, of Nelson Road, Clapham Common, who gave Nazi salutes on the seafront last Easter Monday, pleaded guilty to threatening behav-iour.

Playing boy was hanged by chain

An accidental death verdict was recorded at an inquest at Hornsey yesterday on Jeffrey Atkins, aged 14, of Burford Gardens. Palmer's Green London who hanged himself with a chain attached to a loft-ladder while playing.

Alexander McGuire, aged 14, with whom he had been playing, of Caversham Avenue, Palmer's Green, said he warned Jeffrey of the dangers. was recorded at an inquest at

Prince to dive

The Prince of Wales will make two dives next week, making a total of 10, to the Tudor warship Mary Rose Hampshire, in 1545. He will be accompanied by the for-mer King Constantine of Greece who has also dived on the wreck before.

The Prince's visit coincides with the start of a month's archaeological excavation by 26 volunteer divers.

ITV pays £4.5m for 'Superman'

Independent television is buying the first two Super-man films for \$4m (about £2,260,000) each. They will be screened next year in a package of six box office

Jaus set a record commercial television of 23 million and Close Encounters of the Third Kind was seen by 15,500,000 viewers at Christ-mas. The independent chan-nel also has Star Wars and Jaws II in its line-up.

Wheelchair boy dies in river

A handicapped boy drowned yesterday after his wheelchair slipped into the River Trent at Stoke Bardolph, near Nottinghain. The body of the boy who was not named was recovered, still in the wheelchair, from 10ft of water by a team of police frogman. Police are investi-gating how the tragedy hap-pened.

Orkney bells on sea voyage

The three bells of Orkney's 800-year-old Cathedral of St Magnus have been shipped to the mainland for restoration after being lowered 90ft from the tower.

The two smaller bells were cast in Edinburgh in 1528. The largest, which weighs 1,420lb, was recast in Amsterdam in 1682. The restoration work will be carried out by the foundry firm John Taylor of Lough-borough (Leicester).

Research jobs saved

Two of Britain's top agricultural research stations, due to be closed or phased due to be closed or phased down, have been spared, but an unqualified person to attend a woman in childbirth, Animal Breeding Research Organization at Edinburgh Organization at Edinburgh necessity, but recent pros-and 47 at the Long Ashton ecutions under the Act are Research Station in Bristol. Originally 250 jobs were to

Airlift for seaman

Airlift for seaman

A Chinese seaman with a Regional Health Authority discusses the diffihead injury was airlifted to hospital in Canterbury by helicopter yesterday after an incident on board a Panamanian refrigeration ship in the Channel prosecution".

Labour designs a wage deal for all workers

From Paul Routledge, Labour Editor, Perth

cal middle ground is taking shape in talks between party leaders and the TUC.

The conference went on to approve its traditional stance of opposition to incomes policies. Delegates overwhelmingly approved a resolution tabled by the left-wing led Technical Administrative.

led Technical Administrative, and Supervisory section of the Amalgamated Union of Engineering Workers that argued against wage controls; but moderate members of the TUC General Council were last night arguing privately that this formal policy decision by the STUC would not halt the talks with the Labour Party at national level. level.
Mr David Basnett, chairman of the TUC ecnomic

committee, argued that it was essential to achieve flexible understanding on wages with Perth as Mr Sidney W
a prospective Labour government to meet the requirement to meet the requirements of different groups of men, insisted that L
workers within the frameeconomic strategy work of a nationally nego- encompass wages", he said. tiated economic policy.
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Greater stress on comparabi-lity on wages between government employees and collective bargaming."
the private sector, possibly The STUC condemned
by means of the Clegg government policies on the

Mr. Basnett told The Times: We have to talk about priorities in the distribution of the gross national product, but there is no case for a rigid, structured incomes policy. There is a very strong case for accepting trade

reaching an agreement for an early election manifesto, added: "The essential thing is to build up an understanding which allows negotiators the flexibility they need to solve their individual needs while taking account of the agreed national economic assess

"Failure to do this and to attempt to introduce a rigid incomes policy would, as it has always done, blow up in the faces of the government and the trade unions after two years."

Those moves towards as incomes policy have attracted hostility from the left. In an unpublicised clash during the TUC economic committee meeting two weeks ago, Mr. Ken Gill, Communist leader of the engineering white collar workers, accused moderate unions of working towards a warranteering weeks ago, Mr. towards a wage restraint programme in defiance of the TUC's official policy of free collective bargaining.

Those divisions came in public yesterday at the Scottish TUC conference at Perth as Mr Sidney Weighell, general secretary of the National Union of Railwaymen, insisted that Labour's

Delegates unanimojusly endorsed the 15-point alternadeal now under discussion tive ecomomic strategy which are:

Mr Wieghell said would not deal now under discussion are:

An extension of the principle of pay indexation — already operating for the fixemen — in the public sector so that the pay of key workers is tied to salary movement in private industry.

Trade union involvement in important Treasury decisions on spending in the public services:

tive ecomomic strategy which the volghell said would not command the confidence of the electorate unless it included wages. "You will not get power either", he said. The NUR leader was supported by Mr Alan Tuffin, general second spending in the public services. who told the conference: "You know as well as I do there is no such thing as free

abolished by Mrs Thatcher.

Influencing union negotiators in the private sector to take account of their wage on prices of their wage demands.

economy which are destroy ing large sectors of industry, crippling communities and impoverishing millions of people" and called for the early return of a Labour government committed to the alternative economic strat-

That strategy would involve capital exports; plan-ning agreements with "teeth"; further nationaliza-tion and an extension of the National Enterprise Board; immediate and substantial reflation; increased public investment in housing, railthe Italian mainland.

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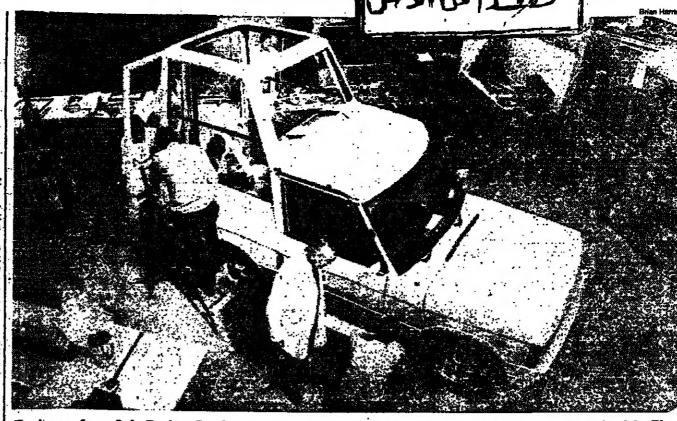
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Were mutiners, and the field windy possibly, and if the Ministry of Defence was implying that the 30 witnesses had found, 23 of whom were mutineers, and six on and other conclusions of Mr which was broken. They provide minmum conditions



Engineers from Ogle Design, Letchworth, converting a Range Rover to carry the Pope during his visit. The vehicle is one of two to be fitted with bullet-proof windows and armour plating, and will be used in the procession to accompany the six-wheeled Popemobile.

Police investigate burning of papal dais

Police are investigating a fire hich yesterday destroyed a which yesterday destroyed a specially constructed dais in Pontcanna Fields, Cardiff from which the Pope was to have addressed an expected 350,000 people on the last day of his visit to Britain (Tim Jones

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Three youths were seen running away from the dais which had almost been completed at a cost of £115,000. Yesterday, forensic scientists were sifting through the embers. Until the attack security patrols had guarded

the structure until the late evening, but now a 24-hour guard will be mounted as it is rebuilt.

Mr John Mumford, groundsman at the fields said: "There was damage to the dais last week. Someone tried putting tar on the panels and tried to light fires near it."

Det Chief Supt Don Carsley, head of the South Wales CID said: "We are treating this as an act of criminal damage and would like to interview the three youths who were seen running away."

Cardiff has a large Roman Catholic community which is fully integrated into its society and there have been few public misgivings about the papal visit.

Doubts still remained yesterday whether Harlech Television would be able to proceed with its ambitious plans to cover the event after the refusal by members of the association of Cinematograph Television and Allied Technicians to complete identity forms as requested by the church authorities.

Dispute over Salerno mutiny

New challenge to ministry's version of events

By Philip Webster, Political Reporter

The Ministry of Defence was challenged yesterday over its version of wartime eyents almost 40 years ago which, it issued with its recent decision not to grant a pardon to 189 British soldiers convicted mutiny at Salerno,

Controversy over the men's case has been revived since a BBC television documentary in February highlighted their plight. They were part of a contingent of 1,500 of General Montgomery's 8th Army troops brought from North Africa as reinforcements to assist the 46th and 56th Divisions in the crucial battle

at Salerno for a footbold on the Italian mainland.

The television programme alleged that the men had been recovering from provide minimum conditions North Sea oil, reduced arms admitted disobeying a senior returning some things we spending, a weath tax and have already lost and giving cheaper energy for industry.

The case was raised with the Ministry of Defence by MPs after the programme was screened. Mr Jerry Wiggin, Under Secretary of State for the Armed Forces, concluded in a letter to Mr Afred Morris, Labour MP for Wanniers. Labour MP for Manchester, Wythenshawe, earlier this month that, after research by officials, there were no grounds for reopening the

official records held by the Ministry to suggest that the men were misled about their eventual destination, and that no evidence had been

tenged in letters sent to the Ministry by Mr Morris from Mr Alan Patient, producer of the BBC documentary, and Mr Santa Captain A. G. report sick at Salerno.

When Mr Barber, an Exeter teacher, wanted money to the convalescent home."

Mr Patient said that Captain Lee was himself so his building society and they can they added to his morroage.

from Mr P. D. Rayner, of Lee, who was the main Gillingham, Kent, who was a prosecution witness at the young Royal Marine in HMS Scylia, one of the ships that only he and two other took the men to Salerno.

Mr Rayner, stating that the soldiers had been treachewas to be told.

rously let down by the authorities, says they were the ministry documents "silhouettes of men" suffer- about the despatch of the ing from shell-shock and "We on the ship were

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Authors to get rights payments in autumn

By Kenneth Gosling

Preparations are well advanced for a start by the autumn on Britain's first public lending right (PLR) scheme, enabling authors to be paid according to Preparations be paid according to samples of loans from 16 public

The Lords approved the scheme on Monday, as an order breathing life into it is being prepared. When that, together with the scheme itself, is completed in the next fortnight it will be aid before the Commons and PLR brought into immediate effect.

effect.

By that time the PLt office in Stockton-on-Tee, will have explanatory material telling authors bow to apply for registration under the scheme.

Mr John W. Sumsion, the registrar, has formed an advisory committee which has its first meeting next week.
It is also expected to be

known soon, which 16 libraries will be the first to launch the loan sampling.

A difficulty in the last few months has been the design and development of a com-puter system for the scheme. The computer, now undergo-ing tests for delivery later this year, will hold lists of authors and their eligible books and be able to accommodate the data from the sampling libraries to work out payments each year.
Once publicity and information facilities have been

set up, the aim will be to open the register in September, followed by the start of loan recording in January. That process ends in June when a six-month sample has been assembled. Authors' entitlements will then be worked out either by doub-ling the loans or the rate per loan to represent a complete

For about two months the figures will be calculated to ensure that authors receive their maximum entitlement and to see that the registrar underspends not overspends. Each year, in the autumn, as the Act demands, Parliament will approve the rate per the ministry documents loan. In the last quarter of the financial year, between reinforcements are "possibly January and March, payments will be made.

The amount initially available to recompanse authors is £2m but that may be increased. No author will be able to earn more than £5,000

Exeter Forest his mortgage goes down. (Our Exeter Correspondent writes.)

When Mr Barber, an Exet-

Tocsin sounds for the barn owl

By Tony Samstag

The barn owl is one of nature's emblems: when most people think about owls at all, something very like a barn owl is probably what

they see.
More's the pity, then, that
the World Wildlife Fund
should be sounding the tocsin for this of all spe with the appouncement that its numbers are decreasing "at an alarming rate in Britain and much of Europe" with a population crash imminent if not inevitable.

Not so coincidentally, the Royal Society for the Protection of Birds (RSPB) has launched a nest-box scheme for barn ewis. "Undoubtedly one of the underlying causes of their disappearance is that many traditional nest sites in very old trees and derelict buildings have been lost", the society writes. "Brick and timber barns are being replaced by modern steel-

framed strutures."

pesticides are also blamed for ine decline.

Dr Ian Taylor of the properties of the

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A memorandum sent to

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burgh University, sees the trend to monoculture cereal production, the removal of hedges and the reclamation

framed strutures."

Statistics are incomplete but dire. One survey completed in the early 1970s suggest that the number of barn owls in Britain might have halved in 40 years. Later studies have shown the rate of loss accelerating in the past decade or so. Intensive farming and the use of pesticides are also blamed for the decline in mortality. "Mortality of adult barn owls seem to occur mostly in winter coincium with prolonged periods of deep snow cover", he says.

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available on most farms available on most farms might make suitable nest boxes. Old barrels and packing cases would also serve, according to the RSPB, which offer advice and instructions for installing them.

In 1976 there were thought to be between 4,500 and 9,000 pairs of barn owls in the British Isles. Most farmers, who in the past have wel-comed the birds as natural agents of pest control, would probably consider these figures as optimistic as they are

An irony of the nest-site scheme is that those who participate in it could inadvertently be breaking the

hedges and the reclamation of rough ground and wetlands as contributing to a
further loss of habitat.

His studies have also
uncovered a curious relationship between habitat and and if you intend to visit
mortality. "Mortality of adult your nest boxes, you must
have owls seem to occur obtain a special government obtain a special government

"If you see that the box is occupied early in the breed-ing season, it is probably best to watch from a safe dis-tance, thus avoiding disturb-ing the birds and the needs to become involved in such legalities."

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Shop fined over leopard

skin coat From Our Correspondent

Manchester
Animal lovers are launching a national campaign to stop illegal trading in fursiafter the successful prosecution yesterday of a furshop for trying to sell a leopard skin coat.

The coat, priced at £3,999, was seen in the window of Raimond Furs. King Street.

Manchester, by a member of the Protection and Conser-vation of Animal and Plant-

life group (PCAP).

Mr Daniel Lindsay, the group's European secretary, posed as a potential customer and got a written estimate of the coat's price from a shop

assistant. The estimate was used in evidence in yesterday's pri-vate prosecution brought by the group against the Bank ruptcy Fur Company, the

shop's owners.

Mr Brian Woodhams, for the prosecution, told Liverpool magistrates: "People in this country and throughout the world are desperately the world are desperately concerned about the whole sale slaughter and destruc-tion of animals whose extinc tion will be forever. This trade is a further step towards the total annihilation of endangered species."

The company admitted the offence and reserved a fine of

traive error left the firm open to prosecution. "This coat existed before the 1976 Act and it was offered for sale without a licence. But this was not a conspiracy to get round the act, to flout the law nor to endanger any animals."

Mr Lindsay said that the case allowed his 5,000 members in Britain to launch a national campaign to stop the sale of all coats made from the skins of endangered animals,

He said: "Most in danger are the big cats—the leopard, tiger and panther. "Many skins are smuggled

into Britain and made up into coats for sale here and for export to Europe. But now our members will be calling

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Midwives asked to help in prosecutions

By Jeannette Mitchell

Midwives and doctors have been given instructions on how to gather evidence to help in the prosecution of unqualified people who help in childbirth at home.

Under section 9 of the 1951 wifery. Miss Irene Ward, the obtain prosecutions," board's acting secretary, said: "Unattended births are on the increase. We have alerted the health authoritiesand have encouraged them to

do something about it."
Oranizations campaigning
for improved maternity services suggest that the num-ber of unattended births is district health authorities last growing, because in some month by the North West parts of the country health Thames Regional Health authorities no longer allow midwives to attend home

The decline in home births is in line with government policy which for the past ten years has favoured all babies being born in hopital. In the past two years, however, there has been a growing recongnition by some health authorities that home deliveries, should be available to women who want them.

The move follows pressure decide to do without them. I from the Central Midwives think it is a degradation of Board, which has responsithe role of the midwife that bility for regulating mid- she is being asked to help

The move to secure more births.

Mrs Sheila Kitzinger, a the Royal College of Midelading advocate of natural wives but opposed by the childbirth, said: "If the Association of Radical Midwomenhad access to support- wives, representing midwives have the necessary documents for sale."

Pyro Washington: sn's in Argentine plan

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hat the proposals failed to provide that the Falkland Island-ers should be able to determine their own destiny and the House had always said that the wishes of the islanders were paramount. Mr Michael Foot, Leader of the Opposition, said he wished Mr Pym well in his visit to the United States.

The exchanges began when Mr Geraint Howells (Cardigan, L) asked: In view of the seriousness of the situation in and around the Falkland Islands, has the Prime Minister any plans to invite leaders of all the political parties in this House to Downing Street for discussions?

Mrs Thatcher: I have no such plans at present. We take it as our duty to keep the House as a whole as fully informed as

Mr George Gardiner (Reigate, C):
Will Mrs Thatcher undertake to
consider any proposals from the
Argentine with great caution,
hearing in mind that if an
aggressor is even half compensated for his aggression, it will
be an encouragement to others to be an encouragement to others to behave likewise?

Mrs Thatcher: I take Mr Gardiner's point. It has been made strongly and on all sides. We shall, of course, try to seek a diplomatic solution but we have that the Argentine proposals at present before us fall short, in some important respects, of the objectives and requirements as

expressed in this House.

Mr Michael Foot: When will she
be reporting to this House, in
accordance with what she said,
about these proposals, what they
are, what they officially are, and
about the Government's views?

Are they supported by the
United States Administration or
was General Haig merely acting
as intermediary in this matter?

Mrs Thatcher: The proposals are
Arsentine proposals. We are Argentine proposals. We are grateful to Mr Haig for his proposals, both in Buenos Aires and on his visits to this country. But they are Argentinian proposals. Mr Haig has kept us

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ocial, educational and financial

factors were taken into account when decisions were made about closing village schools, Sir Keith Joseph, Secretary of State for Education and Science, said during questions in the Com-

mons.

He had been asked how many small village schools had been permitted to close in the last 12 months, to which he replied that there were 79 closures in the period March 1, 1981, to February 28, 1982.

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Mr Ahan Beith (Berwick-upon-Tweed, L) said: This is a disturbingly large number. Will he make clear that he does not village schools? In view of the vest number of village schools? In view of the vest number of village schools? In view of the vest number of village schools? In view of the vest number of village schools? In view of the vest number of village schools? In view of the vest number of village schools? In view of the vest number of village schools? In view of the vest number of village schools that have been closed in Stafford-shire, will he pay particular care to proposals in that county? Sir Keith Joseph: Yes, to the first part of his question. Certainly in Stafford-shire, but no more than any action in any other county? My colleagues and I recognize the have been closed in Stafford-shire, will he pay particular care to proposals in that county? Sir Keith Joseph: Yes, to the first part of his question. Certainly in Stafford-shire, but no more than any action in any other county? My colleagues and I recognize the solution of the first part of his question. Certainly in Stafford-shire, but no more than any action in any other county?

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fully informed, when he has been able, about precisely what they are. We have full details. Mr Foot has heard what I indicated a moment ago. We regard this as a stage in the negotiaring process.

moment ago. We regard this as a stage in the negotiating process which must now be continued.

We are examining the proposals very closely and shall seek to put forward our own proposals, I hope to Mr Haig.

With that in mind, the Foreign Secretary plans to go in Washing. Secretary plans to go to Washington on Thursday.

Mr Foot: When will she report to the House again on the matter? I hope that in these discussions she will be taking into full account the proposals by Mr Denis Healey about involvement of the United Nations in this matter.

Apart from the inherent justice of our case, a major source of strength has been the fact that this country has been acting in conformity with the United Nations and in pursuance of Resolution 502.

Resolution 502.

If she and the Government were to follow up Mr Healey's proposals, they could provide alternatives to the specific proposals from the Argentine and make sure that we continue to act in full conformity with the charter and British obligations under the charter.

Mrs Thatcher: I do not think there is much point in reporting

Secretary has seen Mr Haig in Washington.

Among the many problems which the Argentine proposals present is that they fail to provide that the Falkland Islandes shall be able to determine their own destiny, and the Rouse has always said that the wishes of the islanders are paramount.

On Mr Healey's proposals, about United Nations administrators we are in the process of

trators, we are in the process of one negotiation through Mr Haig and it would be better not to get wires crossed but to go steadily forward with that.

I accept that we are trying to secure the implementation of Resolution 502 which is clear but not so easy to get implemented.
Of course we also have rights
under Article 51 of the charter
on self-defence.

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Mr Foot: I certainly wish Mr Pym well in his visit to the United States. I am not at all certain that its not necessary for further reports to be made to the House in the meantime, because these matters are fully discussed. these matters are fully discussed in other places. Therefore there ought to be constant and persistent reports to the House of Commons.

Mrs Thatcher: It is not one's intention to hold back any information in any way. But Mr Foot and other MPs have been understanding that while negotiations are on it is difficult to give full details to the House.

I have indicated one important I have indicated one important respect in which the Argentine proposals before us fall short of the objectives of, I think, almost every single person in this

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Mrs Thatcher: I am grateful. We do remain committed to seeking a diplomatic solution, if one can possibly be found that is acceptable.

Mr David Steel, Leader of the liberal Party (Barburgh Cal

Liberal Party, (Roxburgh, Sel-kirk and Peebles, L): She knows that there is all-party support for that there is an party support for her determination to secure the removal of the Argentines from the islands and to secure the implemenation of the Security Council resolution and to re-es-tablish conditions in which the future of the islanders can be determined in the long term.

But would she refrain from ascribing to the House as a whole

ascribing to the house as a whole her phrase about the paramount-cy of the wishes of the islanders. (Interruptions) The islanders, wishes and interests are para-mount in the short-term, but the long-term issue is one for this Mirs Thatcher: The House of

Commons, in exercising its duty, has always said in these negotiations and throughout

basis that the Argentine wanted what is called "decolonization", which has a particular meaning under the United Nations terms,

mation to the islanders.

Mr Stanley Newens (Elarlow, Lab): Would it not be to her advantage to involve the United Nations more deeply, particularly because it would then relieve the United States of the necessity for acting in what is called "an even-handed fashion" in present circumstances?

pressure to bear on the Argentine as countries in Western Europe and the Commonwealth, this would have a moral and economic impact which would make a peaceful and diplomatic solution much more likely. Mrs Thatcher: There is a clear

mandatoray resolution on the record by the Security Council which should have the force and effect of international law. At present it is not being implemented. Mr Haig is trying to see that it is implemented.

which should have the force and effect of international law. At present it is not being implemented. Mr Haig is trying to see that it is implemented. I believe that he is a good and appropriate negotiator, but a succeeded. With regard to police, negotiator must have credibility which in this case



with both parties to the nego-tiations. It is in our interests that he should have that credibility but we all know that the United

Mr Roy Jenkins (Glasgow, Hillhead, SDP): Will she, in view Hillhead, SDP): Will she, in view of the strong all-party support which the Government has rightly received during the past 2½ weeks, bear in mind that she will be expected to take future—I hope and believe— unrushed decisions in and equally non-party way, and this demands more than merely asking the Paymaster General (Mr Cecil Parkinson) who is chairman of the Conservative Party, to a

will she seriously consider the proposal made by Mr James Callaghan (Cardiff, South-East,

Lab)?
Mrs Thatcher: I must confess, I had expected a more fundamental point from Mr Jenkins. Mr Foot, the Leader of the Opposition, on the last occasion this came up, said — I happen to believe rightly — that he would not find that an appropriate way to proceed.

If Mr Jenkins wishes to see me — or I am sure the same would happen with Mr Francis Pym, the Foreign Secretary — about this matter of course, I am always there to see MPs on these important issues.

Mr John Townend (Bridlington.

taking to ensure that dicrators cannot keep by aggression what they failed to keep by nego-tiation. record on human rights, the suggestion of bringing Argen-tinian police into the islands is

In Mr Neil Macfarlane, Minister for Sport, said in a written reply. In present circumstances I would urge British sporting bodies not to complete any bilateral fixtures against their Argentinian counterparts scheduled in the United Kingdom, and to retrain from issuing further invitations. In a further reply, he said the Foreign and Commonwealth Office was advising all United Kingdom nationals against visiting Argentina at this time.

country. It has already been agreed that if the Gibraltar Government and the British Government accept the viability of a commercial dockyard operation after the dockyard closes, that subject to parliamen-

State for Trade, questioned about the effect of the Falklands crisis on inflation, said there were always uncertainties in the future but the Government expected that the falls forecast in the inflation rate would be achiered.

He said earlier that the Government expected that by the end of this year the rate would be down to 9 per cent and, next year

in best way

Steps would be taken to see that money made available through the Manpower Services Commission for further education courses was used appropriately, Mr William Shelton, Under Secretary of State for Education and Science, said during exchanges on training schemes. Mr Bric Dealens (Waltham Forest, Walthamstow, Lab) had asked: How will the minister seek to ensure that genuinely appropriate courses will be provided in further education rather than that there are merely cosmetic thanges made to ensuing provisions in order to take advantage of Government funds available? Mr Shelton: This is an important matter because there has been a breakdown in some cases and this must not happen again. The Manpower Services Commission is planning to introduce a group on which the education services will be very much represented, to look at the content of the educational services funded through the MSC. I am sure this will be satisfactory.

Tenant rights over charges for heating

he said the Bill would give council tenants. rights already enjoyed by tenants of private landlards and of housing associations to see records and accounts on which communal heating charges were based, and to challenge them through the county court.

No changes are planned in abortion notification procedure following a review of the position, Mr Kenneth Clarke, Minister for Health, said in a written reply to Miss Joan Lestor (Eton and Slough, Lab).

The Hougkong and China Gas Company Limited Bill and the Thomas Brown and Sons, Limited Bill both passed their remaining stages in the Lords.

Silkin condemns Employment Bill and promises to repeal it

TRADE UNIONS

He said the Bill provided an appropriate legal framework to maintain a balance between trade as controversial as it touched upon the closed shop, immunity of trade union funds and the

measure in size and purpose.
The violence of the reaction to
it said nothing about whether it was modest or not, but was an indication of the mental attitude of those who had for decades enjoyed certain privileges and saw them threated.

tears of remorse. But when the tears of remorse. But when the Government was confronted with the difficulties of securing legislation there came a time when a balance had to be struck to secure the reasonable consideration of outstanding and important aspects of the Bill.

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There were important issues still to be debated. For example, the union labour only requirement in contracts which was an oblique form of the closed shop, the bringing of immunities of trade union funds into line with the immunities for trade union officials, and the definition of a trade dispute and its consequent impact upon immunities.

The Bill and these considerations could not be lost in a quagnire of verbosity. The purpose of the motion was to ensure that the passage of the Bill was expedited so that the remaining important clauses could be properly debated.

Mr Cyril Smith (Rochdale, I) intervened to ask whether

Mr Biffen replied: An article in The Times — the house organ of the Social Democratic Party — by Mr John Grant (Islington, Central, SDP) makes the same We should always be attendant

upon our procedures and ways they can be improved, but what Mr Smith is suggesting is not something that would immedi-ately commend itself unreservedly. to all quarters of the House.

The timetable provided for measured debate of important outstanding topics and would secure the passage of an important piece of legislation outlined in the Queen's Speech.

The third reading could come tolerably soon now under these arrangements and they would secure the tantalizing spectacle of how the SDP would vote on that occasion.

It was important that the House of Lords.

Mr John Silkin, Opposition spokesman on House of Commons affairs (Lewisham, Deptford, Lab), said that progress on the Bill had been fast. The slower progress made on the Bill within the parliamentary rules the better because it was the work Bill to come before the

By the time the Employment Bill had completed as passage through the Commons more than 135 hours would have been spent debating it, Mr John Biffen, Lord President of the Council and Leader of the House, said when he moved a timetable motion on the Bill.

The motion provided that the standing commutee stage of the Bill should be completed on or before April 29 and that the report stage and third reading be completed in two days, ending at 7 pm on the second day.

He said the Bill provided an appropriate legal framework to maintain a balance between trade go into the dustbin of history as the 1971 Act had in its turn. This was one of the most divisive Bills one could possibly have. At a time when the

Government was talking about national unity, to bring in a Bill like this, to carry on with it, and to see that it went through against the wishes of the Opposition and at least half the population, possibly more, was to miss an connectuality that the miss an opportunity that the minister, if he had thought about it, would have been the first to

Mr Sikin: There is only one Opposition, as Mr Tebbit knows perfectly well. (Renewed laughter).

Mr. Reginald Prentice (Daventry C) said that the trade union movement had fallen short of the democratic standards one was entitled to expect of it these days. the a cross-section of genuine rank-and-file trade unionists were consulted, they would give overwhelming support to this



the eyes of the general public. The TUC should recover some credibility in Britain. The Oppo-sition Front Bench had a duty sometimes to tell the TUC when sometimes to tell the TUC when they were going wrong, as he himself had done when shadow Secretary of State for Employment. What was bappening new was that the Opposition found out what the TUC wanted them to say and then repeated it.

Parliamentary procedures had been getting worse in the last decade, and would continue to do so unless there were radical changes. The House of Commons saft twice as long as the second-

House should demonstrate there were no rare birds protected by sacoad reading and would vote special game laws. The Government was making use of a parliamentary device and in this instance it would be in terms of a with rade unionism. The closed with individual liberty as instance it would be in terms of a with rade unionism. The closed with individual liberty as instance in would be in terms of a with rade unionism. The closed with individual liberty as instance in would be in terms of a with rade unionism. The closed with individual liberty as hope unions give them secret senior officials and union executives.

The guillotine motion was carried by 290 votes to conservative cheers)

Whilst the Government were getting it through, he would vote for the Bill, but he was not prepared to vote for the guillotine, which was merely a procedural mechanism to get it through. He would vote against the motion before the House.

Mr Tem Bradley (Leicester, East, SDP) said the Bill would not improve industrial relations and might well harm them. The SDP wanted to see trade union reforming the belief that trade unions should not regard themselves at being above and beyond the law. They should try to strike a balance between a trade union's obligations and responsibilities and the question of its immunity. The timetable motion would prevent discussion on clauses which MPs had hoped to consider and the SDP would associate itself with the official Opposition and resist the motion.

and resist the motion.

Mr Ian Mikardo (Tower Hamlets, Bethmai Green and Bow, Lab) said that Mr Tebbit, one of the Prime Minister's strong armbully boys, was looking forward with slavering appetite to the wildly enthusiastic reception he expected to get when he addressed the Conservative Party conference on the Bill in the autumn.

conference on the Bill in the sutumn.

His bet was that the Secretary of State had already bought a stop-watch so that he could time the length of the standing ovation he boped to get on that occasion. If he wanted to get the standing ovation all he had to do was to introduce at the report standing ovations all he had to do was to introduce at the report stage of the Bill a new clause, which provided that any trade union leader who was in breach of it should be hanged and any shop steward flogged (Laughter)

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spokesman on employment (Chesterfield Lab) said it would be the Labour Party's job to putright the mistakes in this Bill which was being rushed onto the statute book. The great crime of this Government was that of mass unemployment, deliberately created and complacently, left to continue.

traing not on sound but on damaging industrial relations. It had callous disregard for the misery of three million mem-ployed.

State for Employment, said the sad toll of unemployed in Britain arose not least from long-standing inefficiencies and defects in the way the country employed in labour. The Bill set out to remove some of the rigidities and absurdities, practised in the labour market.

labour market.

The more effectively labour was used, the more it could be paid, and the better conditions it would enjoy. This was a modest Bill; he had never claimed if would put right all industrial relations problems.

recently strike calls by union leaders have been rejected by shopfloor workers.
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Inland Revenue check on tax evasion

LATE DEBATE

During the later stages of the debate on the reports of the debate on the reports of the debate on the reports of the Public Accounts Committee on Monday night,

Mr Raymond Whitney (Wycombe, C.), said it was not his impression that the House, the country and the Government got its money's necessary to ask not permanent the afforts were rewarded in terms of saving waste and unnecessary bureaucracy. There lab) said there was an obligation was a depressing catalogue of lack of effectiveness of the work by trhe Comptroller and Auditor.

Year after year the tale of mistakes, waste and extravagance went on. The House should take another look at the PAC which was its oldest select-committee.

Mr John Prescott (Kingston upon)

A great deal of thought and study was going on into the black economy. The Inland Revenue were deploying 400 staff in the regions to look at text evasion, about three quarters of them investigating PAYE and 75 of them investigating apontughting.

Parliament today

Commons (2.30): Questions: Environment's Debate on Government's White Paper on expenditure plans. Lords (2.30): Debate on the consequences of privatizing publicly-owned companies.

HOUSE OF LORDS

There had been speculation about the effect of the recent fall in oil prices on the Britoil sale, but the Covernment took the view that it would be premature to jump to conclusions, the Earl of Missister of State for Scotland, said in moving the second residing of the Oil and Gas (Enterprise) Bill which has a special the Commons, in deciding on timing, it would be necessary, the added, to weigh my a number of facety would be only one.

He said the Bill would be a major stop forward in resistences, the size of the public sector. There was no instification for direct state involvement in oil exploration and production. The history of the North Ses showed that the successful development of Risin's oil resources had overwhelmingly been the achievement of the private sector. Privatization would stroduce competition and efficiency were the hallmarks of private would take this as an opportunity were the hallmarks of private would take this as an opportunity would take this as an opportunity inne.

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PUTMENLIFE Mr Boyson: The Education (School Information) Regu-lations, which come into effect this year, will require schools to give parents information about the way in which sex education is provided, and we have no plans for further legislation. *Over £1 million a year is needed. We have made it clear there should be the closest consultation and cooperation between parents and schools on this matter. Please send your gift to MHA, Dept. T Freepost, London SW1P 3BR.

rery single person in iouse.

I am here every Tuesday and appropriate negotiator must have credibility mediated in the construction of the general election he wholesale closure of village schools, and that the Government recognizes the community and educational importance of village schools?

Sir Keith Joseph: Yes, emphatically, My colleagues and I take Dryshire County Council are having difficulties in finding in social, as well as educational and financial aspects into account when making decisions. But the pace of the fall in the school open.

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available for teachers

No more money will be made available by the Government to meet any improvement on the offer already made to teachers, Mr Rhodes Boyson, Under Secretary for Education and Science, said.

Mr Neil Kinnock, chief Opposition spokesman on education, said that substantial numbers of education authorities had communicated the fact that they were propared to find ways of affording more than the 3.4 per cent already offered. The threatened uproar over the issue could have been avoided if they had been left to their own devices.

In the event of the arbitrator making a recommendation (he asked), will the Government provide funds to enable teachers to be paid what the arbitrator recommends?

Mr Boyson: The money to be Mr Neil Kinnock, chief Oppo-

Mr Boyson: The money to be paid to local authorities for education has been set. No more will be provided and any offer must be within that. Parental rights over

sex lessons Parents who disagree with the way sex education is taught in schools should be allowed by headmasters towithdraw their children from those classes, Dr Rhodes Boyson, Under Secretary of State for Education and Science, said.

Mr John Blackburn (Dudley West, C) had asked if the West, (-) that asked it the Government would introduce legislation to give parents the right to vet text-books used in schools for the teaching of sensitive matters, such as sex

Mr Blackborn: There is a vital moral issue in the presentation of interactive within schools. Would be give an assurance that he will exercise vigilance in this matter,

condemnation whatsofver.

Mr Malcolm Thornton (Liverpool, Garston, C): Would be give an assurance that parents will have the right to withdraw their children from such lessons if they see fit?

Mr Boyson: Consideration was given, when the 1980 Bill was going through, as to whether parents have, as in religious



Joseph: Practical work in last two years

education, the right to withdraw children rom sex education. It was decided by the House of Commons and House of Lords that the decision should not be made in this way because sex education was not compulsory in the school curriculum.

Provision has been made in London by the Inner London Education Authority, with all respect to them, for parems to withdraw children from schools where sex education is taking place and with which they do not agree.

Practical slant in curriculum

There was a strong case for a greater practical slant in the curriculum for all pupils in the last two years of compulsory education. The less academically proficient pupils were not necessarily best served by a diluted form of the traditional curriculum, Sir Keith Joseph, Secretary of State for Education and Science, said. Science, said.

He was answering Mr Nigel
Forman (Sutton, Carshalton, C)
who called for a statement on
how the minister intended to see
that the educational needs of the
bottom 40 per cent of school
pupils in achievement were
adequately met.

for all pupils

Mr George Cunningham (Islington, South and Finsbury, Ind Lab) was given leave under the 10-minute rule to introduce the Local Authority Tenants (Heating Charges) Bill.

He said the Bill would give place and with which they do not agree.

I would say that where parents do disagree with the way sex education is taught in schools, headnasters should certainly allow withdrawl from that class.

to chance them inrough the county court.

While local authorities were obliged to consult tenants on matters of housing management, charges for heating were specifically excluded.

The Bill was read a first time.

Mr John Prescott (Kingston upon the chalk of using Vulcan Hull, East, Lab) said that for the Government to be considering giving £180m to Nissan for the jobs it would provide in Britain was not the best use of public resources. Mr. Robert Sheldon, an Oppo-The requisitioning of vessels sinon spokesman on Treasury for the Argentine venture would and economic affairs, said on have significant effects on the defence spending that there had economies of ports such as Hull to be enforcement of cash limits and the Government should take alriengh no one could argue with expenditure of the task-

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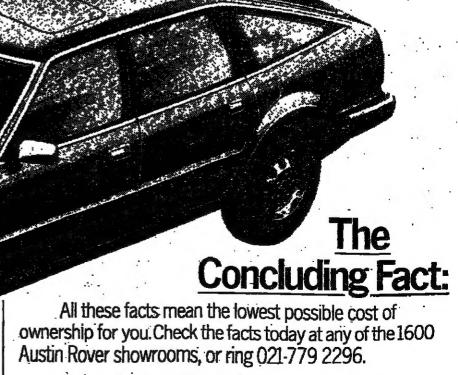
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a Murtay, Brussels, April 20

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The content problem with mum pressure to bear on the was prepared to do everything to achieve a peaceful solution if this were possible.

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working lunch, he interests of the islanders the proposals we out in Buenos Aires by Alexander Haig, the can Secretary of State, gave them a strong mg that the British ternment would find them to company. cceptable

Acceptable.

He delicately avoided any ference to Britain having a mal recourse to drive the Argentine Army off the Falkland Islands. According to Mr Leo Tindemans, the Belgian External Relations Minister and the President of Minister and the President of the Council of Ministers, no mention of military action had been made during the

This ensured that the occasion was a friendly and harmonious one Several countries, notably Italy, had been severly tested in agree-ing to the EEC embargo against Argentina last week, and it might have stretched to support for military action, has that been requested.

It was Mr Pym's first meeting with his fellow EEC Foreign Ministers and he sought it in order to give his ners about the actions it was

His mission was seen as sufficiently important for the British Cabinet meeting, which was to discuss the American proposals, to be postponed until he returned

MPs' snaps may yield landing site

By Anthony Bevins

Military intelligence yesterday called an MP to the Ministry of Defence so that they could examine photographs and other material gathered during a parliamen-tary visit to the Falkland Islands last September.
Mr Eric Ogden, Social
Democratic MP for Liver-

pool, West Derby, and Mr Michael Shereby, Conserva-tive MP for Uxbridge, visited the islands under the spon-

Mr Ogden said yesterday all are at sea.
Trawlers, fitte at the request of a Foreign Office minister of state, "to reassure the islanders of Britain's continuing interest and support, and to ascertain

from the Ministry of Defence last week, expressing an interest in any photographs he might have taken of the

Mr Ogden said: "We were bays, beaches, headlands and settlements from the air. It

He added that it was quite fascinating, in the light of the current crisis and with Tankers: Esk (15,642), Tamar

ened governments a graceful

current stationing of its

forces in Lebanon, the Golan

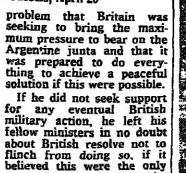
Heights and Cyprus, this is

the idea that first came to

mind soon after the Argen-

widely circulated are:

tine invasion.



were protected. The British Cabinet decision had not been taken when the Foreign Ministers met, but Mr Pyn was able to warn that there might well be very rough waters ahead before the dispute was set-tled. He was therefore asking for he complete solidarity of the Community.

The short statement at the end of the meeting gave this solidarity and went on to confirm the EEC's desire to see United Nations Security Council Resolution 502 —
demanding the withdrawal of
Argentine forces from the
Falklands — put into oper-

The statement ended by saying the ministers were anxious for the affair to have a peaceful solution. It praised the efforts of Mr Haig to find such a solution and supported his work.

The heavy emphasis in the short statement on the urgency of finding a peaceful solution is a pointer to the fact that Britain's partners are less than happy about any suggestion that Britain should go to war. Britain is sought it in order to give his should go to war. Britain is which the trade embargo had been applied. He also wanted undertaking to anyone that the task force will not go into A British source said

there were any doubts about it being used if necessary. He said Britain was not asking postponed until he returned its partners for a blank from Brussels.

Mr Pym emphasized in his to make it clear how deterlong explanation of the mined the Government was.

Shadow fleet The Royal Navy has now requisitioned or chartered 35 civilian ships "to support and augment" the Falkland Islands lask force. The official list, issued by the Defence Ministry, shows they include 19 tankers, cruise ships, cargo vessels

Irawlers and tugs. REQUISITIONED P & O liner Canberra (44,807 ship; P & O roll-on, roll-off cargo ship; P & O roll-on, roll-on cargo ship Elk (5,463), transporting armoured vehicles; P & O schools cruise ship Uganda (16,907) hospital ship. All are at

Trawlers, fitted as mine-sweep-ers with Royal Navy crews: Northella (1,238), Famella Northella (1,238), Famella (1,207), Junella (1,615), Cordella (1,238), All belong to J. Marr Ltd of Hull, and are at sea, with their views on future talks the exception of Farnella which with Argentina".

He had receeived a call which will act as support ship, belonging to British United Trawlers, is also at sea. Cargo vessels for transport of

equipment: Stena Seaspread, North Sea support ship belong-ing to Stena UK, (6,061) at sea; P & O roll-on, roll-off ferry taken on a coast-hopping trip P & O roll-on, roll-off ferry in a Beaver seaplane and took Norland (12,988) now loading at Hull; Townsend Thoresen's Europic terry (4,190) loading at bays, beaches, headlands and settlements from the air. It seems that penguins and invaders like the same kind of beaches."

Southampton: Finnanger Norwagian freighter (21,267) at sea. Cunard's Atlantic Conveyor, roll-off beaches." Devenport.

the task force heading south, to look at the phographs of possible invasion sites on the islands.

Mr Ogden has been told by the ministry that his "items" would be carefully examined. the ministry that his "items" fitted out. Esso Fawley (11,064), would be carefully examined and officials would let him know "if any of them could be of use to the intelligence people".

The Liverpool MP also France at sea. Shell Burma (19,763), BP lvy (13,271), BP Fern (13,252). Swedish-owned people".

The Liverpool MP also stated that the Falkland Islands Office in London had also been asked for contacts who might have maps and photograps which could be of intelligence interest for in-

UN's peace blueprints ready

From Zoriana Pysariwsky. New York, April 19

There is an abundance of ideas being floated in London, Buenos Aires and Washington concerning a United Nations role in a High-level United Nations where the High-level Unite

in trust with the United

tageous to the British

Government since the system

would give priority to the

the islanders.

Supervision (United Nations) more

officials, inspired by 1962 the Dutch Government thoughts that the possibilities was persuaded to hand over are endless, have drawn up administration to the United

no fewer than 15 blueprints Nations. The next year the in case the organization Indonesian authorities asshould be called upon to save sumed control and in 1969.

the day. They claim that none without a referendum, de-of the parties has requested clared that the inhabitants

the effort, although within wished to remain under

some political circles the Jakarta's control.

United Nations is being Trusteeship — This would promoted as a means for giving two politically threattering power over the islands

way out.

The ideas being most make certain the needs of the

Peace-keeping forces — Of all the United Nations Given the United Nations' possibilities this is con-expertise in this area and the sidered the most advan-

wishes of



But they might indeed have to do so, if only after removing the torpedo war-heads, to ensure the relative safety of the task force and

its heavy investment of men

Even then, safety would be very much "relative". About three modern Argentine frig-

ates and four elderly ex-American destroyers, are fited with the French Exocet

missile - a dedicated sea-

skimming anti-ship missile –

which is also in service with

the Royal Navy. Exocet is not half as fast as Sea Dart, but

still packs quite a punch. Moreover, because it is a low-flying weapon it would strike

vessel around the water-

line. Sea Dart might make a

warship hors de combat; but

Exocet — if it escapes the Sea Wolf anti-missile missiles

on the task force's Type 22 frigates could actually sink

The Royal Navy's task

force has the firepower, the

expertise and the morale to defeat the small Argentine

Navy in a sea battle should the crisis end in one.

investment (more than £200m in the Invincible with its aircraft and weapons) would

would be a humiliating re-

Gaston Thorn Hurt

Brussels.-Mr Gaston Thorn

the President of the European Commission, was slightly injured when his car was in

collision with a bus in Brussels. He received only

RAF PUTS

BIRDS

IN A FLAP

The peace and quiet of Cape Wrath will be shattered this week when the recently converted RAF Vulcan bombers begin target practice on the tiny island of Garve, less than half a most from one of the biogest

from one of the biggest seabird colonies in Britain

(Our Scottish Correspondent

writes).
The bombers are using live 1,000lb bombs and the Royal Society for the Protection of

Birds is worried about dis-

turbances to nesting puffins,

guillemots, fulmars and kitti-wakes. An RAF spokesman said yesterday that the Ministry of Defence usually

tried to avoid bombing on the

nesting season. The society

would like to see a mora-

torium on exercises with live

ape Wrath range during the

be considerable.

strategists assume.

Sea Dart: Capable of crippling ships too.

and money.

Navy may well rue sale of lethal Darts By Henry Stanhope Defence Correspondent

Britain could soon regret complement of Sea Dart and its decision to sell the Sea professional trained oper-Dart guided missile to Argen-tina if fighting breaks out The Royal Navy has — or between the two navies, still separated by about 2,000 miles in the South Atlantic.

Not only is Sea Dark of the South Atlantic in the area which could be separated by about 2,000 four hunter-killer submarnines in the area which could be separated by about 2,000 four hunter-killer submarnines in the area which could be separated by about 2,000 four hunter-killer submarnines in the area which could be separated by about 2,000 four hunter-killer submarnines in the area which could be separated by about 2,000 four hunter-killer submarnines in the area which could be separated by about 2,000 four hunter-killer submarnines in the area which could be separated by about 2,000 four hunter-killer submarnines in the area which could be separated by about 2,000 four hunter-killer submarnines in the area which could be separated by about 2,000 four hunter-killer submarnines in the area which could be separated by about 2,000 four hunter-killer submarnines in the area which could be separated by about 2,000 four hunter-killer submarnines in the area which could be separated by about 2,000 four hunter-killer submarnines in the area which could be separated by about 2,000 four hunter-killer submarnines in the area which could be separated by about 2,000 four hunter-killer submarnines in the area which could be separated by about 2,000 four hunter-killer submarnines in the area which could be separated by about 2,000 four hunter-killer submarnines in the area which could be separated by about 2,000 four hunter-killer submarnines in the area which could be separated by about 2,000 four hunter-killer submarnines in the area which could be separated by about 2,000 four hunter-killer submarnines in the area which could be separated by about 2,000 four hunter-killer submarnines in the area which could be separated by about 2,000 four hunter-killer submarnines in the area which could be separated by about 2,000 four hunter-killer submarnines in the area which could be separated by a separated by a separated by a separated by a separ

Not only is Sea Dart an torpedo the aspiretions of effective long-range, antiaircraft weapon designed to destroyer before its crew pick off hostile intruders of have time to push the button. one's air space at sea; but it is also capable of crippling enemy ships.

Many experts at the Minis-try of Defence believe that Sea Dart and the Type-42 destroyers which are de-signed to carry it, should never have been supplied to before the meeting that it the Argentines — who remain the only other navy to have them.

Traveiling at twice the speed of sound, Sea Dart is guided by radar to its target aircraft, which it can attack at high or medium altitude and at distances well in excess of the published range of 25 miles or so. But it can also be directed

to plunge down from a great height on to other ships, powered by its ramjet engine to hit the deck or superstructure with disabling force. Trials conducted by its makers, British Aerospace Dynamics, are said to have demonstrated Sea Dart's ability to strike with such kinetic energy that, even without a warhead, the missile smashed through up to seven decks of a target

Argentina has two Type-42 destroyers, the 4,100-ton sister ships Hercules and Santissima Trinidad, the first of which was built by Vickers loss of life and expensive loss of life and in Barrow-in-Furness, the second in South America. Ironically, British teams have tive MP for Uxbridge, visited the islands under the sponsorship of the Commonwealth Parliamentary Associated the complex man (686), Yorkshireman (686). All belong to United Towing and the Complex missile system to the Argentine Navy's conscript sailors. Fortunately for the Royal Navy, the Argentines have when it needs to prove its

not had much time to develop their skills with the missile which according to British industry sources demands a trained operator. The num-ber of missiles supplied so far is limited and an inexperienced crew could expend their arsenal without inflicting lethal damage. No missile is 100 per cent effective.

The Royal Navy's task force has the aircraft carrier Invincible and three Type 42 destroyers, the Sheffield, the Glasgow and the Coventry, all of which have a full

Sovereignty negotiated under

United Nations auspices — The possibility being given most prominence, as a result

of Mr Haig's most recent

talks in Buenos Aires, appears at first glance to

provide Argentina with an

edge because of the General

Assembly's pronouncements.

Mediation - Senor Javier Medianua Pérez de Cuellar, the General, would

Secretary-General, would have the opportunity to shed

Britain ha been eager to keep

Señor Pérez de Cuellar from

becoming directly involved in negotiations, believing that the United States has far

leverage

make certain the needs of the the low profile he has kept islanders were well served. throughout Mr Haig's mis-Of all the United Nations sion, but it would probably possibilities this is conmean that effort had failed.

multinational Argentina.

IN SUMMARY

Falangists march for Gibraltar

About 20,000 people mar-ched in a right-wing demon-stration through Madrid to show support for the Argentine takeover of the Falkland Islands and demand the return of Gibraltar to Spain (our Madrid correspondent

Banners and placards disbanners and placarus (ils-played at the rally on Monday evening organized by the facist-rooted Falange, bore legends such as "Fal-klands for Argentina, Gibral-tar for Spain", and "British pirates get out of the Fal-klands and Gibraltar".

Dozens of young men and women, wearing the blue shirts and red berets of the Falange youth movement, marched in military formation to Madrid's central Plaza de la Independencia where the demonstration began.
The blue and white flag of

Argentina fluttered, along with the red and yellow flag of Spain and the red and black flag of the Falange. Shouts in favour of Colone Antonio Téjero, the Civil Guard officer who led the takeover of the Spanish

Parliament in last year's attempted coup, mingled with others of "Spanish Gibraltar". As the crowds began to file past the Army Museum, many of the marchers raised their right arms in the fascist salute and chanted "Vivas" for the Civil Guard forces.

Socialists want UN peace force Socialist members of the

European Parliament are calling for a United Nations peacekaeping force to be set up in the Falklands.

A resolution tabled by Mrs Barbara Castle, the Labour

verse for the fleet at a time leader in Strasbourg, also calls for a helt to the progress of the British naval value to a Government which is not without its doubters. Britannia wil not rule the waves in the South Atlantic as easily as many armchair task force and the simul-taneous withdrawal of the Argentine invasion force. But the move, one of a series of resolutions being hastily prepared for an emergency debate on the

crisis today, has already upset Conservative represen-tatives. Mr Adam Ferguson, MEP

for Strathclyde West, the Conservative spokesman, said that his colleagues would not back any resolution which could be interpreted as calling on Britain to retreat.

Defence lesson for Britain

The Falklands crisis has made a review of the Government's defence priorities necessary, Dr David Owen, the SDP's parliamentary leader, said last night (Henry Stanhope writes).
Speaking in Chichester after visiting Portsmouth Dockyard, he acknowledged

that Britain would not have to shape the Royal Navy around the need to maintain a garrison on the disputed The real lesson, however

was that Britain's main contribution to Nato should be to the alliance's maritime strategy. The Government's folly had been in giving a higher priority to land crisis had demon-

strated the power and flexi-bility of nuclear-powered submarines.

Buenos Aires: Mr Tony
Prime, one of three British
journalists held by the
Argentine authorities, is
believed to have been questioned by a Federal Court judge on Monday over allega tions that he had been spying (Christopher Thomas writes).

Mr Prime, photographer with *The Observer*, is said to have been questioned for three hours in Ushuaia in the

south of the country. Mr Simon Winchester of The Sunday Times and Mr Ian Mather of *The Observer* were expected to be questioned yesterday or today.

Paras delayed

The embarkation at Hull of the 900 men of the 2nd Battalion of the Parachute ammunition between midApril and early July.

The Ministry of Defence yesterday described the exercises as "critical" in view of the Falklands crisis.

OVERSEAS NEWS.

'Chicago boys' blamed

Chile's economy in grip of recession

said that the President did not intend to change his businessmen.
economic policies or to Chile is now suffering
devalue the peso. Florencia from the consequences of a Varas reports from Santiago on economic difficulties.

The great hopes for economic recovery endangered by the military regime headed by President pinochet and his economic team of "Chicago boys", who brought professor Milton Friedman's theories to Chile, have begun to crumble. There are serious doubts about the Friedman and about economic model and about the country's future.

to look anywhere but at the situation of the moment. It is disconcerting to feel that businessmen cannot see a tap at the ticlear future and only think way to carry of how to get by the next day", Senor Alfonso Silva, the president of the Social Union of Christian Businessmen, said.

The word "recession" has become a part of daily conversation and it is calculated that it will last nine to 12 months here. Some 61 Chilean industrial enterprises went bankrupt last month, and this figure brings the total of bankruptcies for the first quarter of 1982 to 124. In 1981, 431 business went bankrupt.

The invasion of the Falk-land Islands has made Chithat the country is going through a very difficult financial situation. But they have suddenly become aware of the harsh economic reality. Chilean bankers who approach the financial markets in search of loans are confronted with unexpected difficulties. Doors that were competition. The economic open before are now closed. Some financiers have been refused loans, while others are granted much smaller sums than they were request-

the country every month, only \$114m has been obtained by Chile in the first two months of this year.

requires the approval of the Tami Party's 40-man execu-tive and the 500-man Central

Committee and is by no

A party official said sessions of the party institutions

will be scheduled after sen-tence is pronounced. The district court will hear argu-

ments about the penalty tomorrow. He is liable to

seven years' imprisonment

for theft and three-year sentences for fraud and breach of trust.

He said he wished another

Tami representative to take over his seat at the Cabinet

Stoessel

progress

claims

means certain.

There also an evident lack cent

Convicted minister

to quit Cabinet

From Moshe Brilliant, Tel Aviv, April 20

Cabinet but to keep his seat lemas he was under pressure

over his seat at the Cabinet table and indicated he will attempts by his political reclaim it if he wins his appeal to the Supreme Court. He said he was not giving up his Knesset seat because that would be irreversible.

He decune to the political attempts by his political backers to build up his case as an "ethnic affair", with the European-dominated establishment out to get him because, he was a North

in the Knesser. His decision to dismiss the minister.

As the political and economic problems facing Chile the international banking intensified, the entire Cabinet of President Augusto Pinochet resigned on Monday. An official communique said that the President disconnected by the mounting criticism of the domestic economic model, previously said that the President disconnected by Chilean businessmen.

foreign trade policy which was put into practice two years ago. The policy meant opening the doors to imported goods without restrictions and practically without tariffs. When this policy was introduced many Chileans who had had foreign trade experience asked the ques-tion: "How is it possible that after 48 years of having imports geared to our limited payments facilities we have suddenly become so rich in "The present problems are foreign exchange that we so serious that it is difficult have almost unlimited licence

In fact, no new foreign exchange resources were on tap at the time, and the only way to carry out such a bold policy was to acquire massive foreign loans. In this context, the only way to make this policy a success was to create a free market that would attract foreign inves-tors who would come and develop new sources of income in foreign exchange. However, because of the high interest rates in Chile, the interest rates in Chile,

the investors who were lured to the country were not interested in investing in industry but merely using their capital as short-term bankrupt.

The invasion of the Falkland Islands has made Chileans forget for a few days
that the country is going
through a very difficult
financial situation. But they

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As a result, not only were no new productive sources of competition. The economic policy followed its inevitable A reduction in defence spending would appeal to many but has not been openly voiced. The defence

ing.

While last year an average budget for 1982 was \$1,569m of \$243m (£137m) flowed into (without reserve funds). This the country every month, has now been cut by 2.6 per cent. The reduction of funds for public utilities, on the other hand, has topped 15 per

The Tami Part's Central

Committee yesterday en-

dorsed the minister as party

leader, but he said he believed he could persuade the institutions to let him

resign. He said he wanted to

be free to prepare for his appeal to the High Court and he felt in the meantime his

ministries should be rep-

resented at the Cabinet table.

He has taken leave of his

Government duties since the

start of his trial and Mr

Begin took over temporary responsibilities for his three

ministries.
He declined to comment on

Successes claimed for abortion pill

By Charles Hargrove Paris, April 20

The discovery of an afterconception pill by a group of French scientists has opened the way to a new method of abortion less traumatizing and damaging to health than existing ones.

Professor Etienne-Emile Baulieu, the director of a Bautieu, the director of a research unit at the Institute for Medical Research, the French Academy of Science, said that the experiments were carried out in Switzerland. The new substance, an anti-progesterone steroid, RU486, the formula of which

RU486, the formula of which remains secret, had proved very effective.

The drug was tested on 11 women volunteers who were between six and eight weeks pregnant. Nine abortions had been provoked with the absorption of a dose of 200 milligrams of the drug a day over four days in the form of two to four capsules.

The RU 486 has also

The RU 486 has also The RU 486 has also proved a very effective means of contraception. Professor Baulieu explained that the new substance a hormone compound, worked on a very simple principle. It prevented one of the two female hormones, the progesterone, from playing its essential part in the implantation of the embryo in the uterus. the embryo in the uterus.

A great number of conclus-

ive tests of its contraceptive effect were carried out, first on animals and afterwards on women. "What we do is combat the progesterone through the cells upon which it works," he explained. By administering the substance to non-pregnant women, normal menstruation was produced within 48 hours. The following menstrual cycle was found to be thoroughly normal.

A large number of further clinical tests will be necess-ary on the new substance, to establish the reasons for its failure to act in some cases, any after-effects, and those cases in which it could not be prescribed. If these prove conclusive, the drug could be on the market in three years and would revolutionize existing methods of contra-ception and abortion.

The World Health Organi-

zation and the Ford Foun-dation have expressed keen interest in the discovery, and asked to participate in these clinical tests.

Clergy split threatens Mr Aharon Abuhatzeira, the Prime Minister today and the Israeli Minister of mormed him of his decision Labour, Welfare and Imminist then announced it to grants Absorption, who was journalists waiting outside. convicted yesterday of lar-His move relieves Mr Menaceny, announced today that chem Begin, the Prime he intends to resign from the Minister, of a delicate prob-Iran regime

By Hazhir Teimourian tollah Kazem Shariat-Madari aged 83, one of Iran's most respected religious les as a participant in an alleged plot against the life of Ayatollah Khomeini, Ayatollah Khomeini, the revolutionary leader, is likely to create a gulf among the ruling elite of Shia clergy which could combine with other factors to bring about

Normally it would have been expected that Ayatollah Khomeini would conceal any intrigues against him by his rivals in the interests of presenting a united front on behalf of the clergy.

the downfall of the regime.

But preparations are now being made for the election of an assembly of experts who will choose a council of grand systollahs to succeed him. He may therefore have been tempted to isolate the opponents of his particular brand of political Islam to prevent them from being elected to the future council. The denunciation of Aya-

The denunciation of Ayatollah Shariat-Madari was made by Mr Sadeq Qotbzadeh, the former Foreign Minister, who was arrested two weeks ago in commercion with the alleged plot, when he appeared on rejevision claiming that the ayatollah had been aware of the plot and had promised to support it, if it succeeded.

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Rome, April 20 Senator Giovanni Spado-lini, the Italian Prime Minis-

From Our Correspondent Cairo, April 20 Mr Walter Stoessel, the United States Deputy Secretary of State, said today progress had been made in his efforts to save the peace pact between Egypt and Israel.

Mr Abuhatzeira called on African.

He ended seven hours of negotiations in Egypt by meeting President Hosni Mubarak and his aides. "We have had very friendly, very cordial and very constructive talks", Mr Stoessel said. "I believe we haver made pro-gress and that things are moving well. . . I optimistic about the

Mr Stoessel came to the area almost a week ago at the instruction of President Reagan, as both countries showed signs of increased strain over the withdrawal from the Sinai. He has been shuttling between Cairo and Jerusalem and flew back to Israel today, saying he could not tell if a return trip to Egypt would be needed.

Among the areas of dispute are sovereignty over a 600 to 1,000 square yard area south of the Israeli port of Eilat, and whether the Egyptians will reaffirm in writing their commitment to the peace pact in order to allay Israeli

SPADOLINI SAYS CRISIS **MUST WAIT From Peter Nichols**

ter, said today he would defer direct debate on the faunce of his coalition Government until after he

Israeli 'spat at Adenauer' From Our Correspondent, Tel Aviv, April 20

Mr Arye Naor a former Israeli Cabinet secretary, reacted angrify before a Civil Service disciplinary tribunal in Jerusalem today, when the prosecutor tried to stop him from discussing his anti-German feeling. Mr. Naor attempted to discredit testimony by Mr Ranan Lurie, the cartoonist, that he sought a job with the West German newspaper Die Welt. He said his attitude to Germans was illustrated when he

spat at Dr Konrad Adenauer, who was then Chancellor, when the latter was visiting Israel. He saw the chancellor as a representative of the SS and the murderers of his family Mr Michael Kirsh, the prosecutor, said this was irrelevant, and Mr Naor shouted "You cannot muzzle me in this matter.
It is my soul. This subject is in my bones." The hearing was

interrupted to allow Mr Naor to calm down.

Later he admitted giving Mr Lurie a story about a conversation between Herr Heimut Schmidt, the Westerman Chancellor, and President Carter, but said it has already appeared in an israeli newspaper.

Mr Naor is charged with "unbecoming behaviour" at the limit of allegations.

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Balancing act by Polish bishops on visit by Pope From Roger Boyes, Warsaw, April 20

will the Pope visit Poland as element in the decision about will the Pope visit Poland as planted this August? That is still the question dominating church strategists in Warsaw and will be one of the principal themes of talks between Archbishop Josef Glemp, the Polish Primate, and the Pope scheduled to the Pope's wisit to go ahead. If the Vatican can be assured that the Government is prepared to talk with the Church and Schedule to talk with the Church and the Pope's wisit to go ahead. If the Vatican can be assured that the Government is prepared to talk with the Church and the Pope's wisit to go ahead. If the Vatican can be assured that the Government is prepared to talk with the Church and the Pope's wisit to go ahead. If the Vatican can be assured that the Government is prepared to talk with the Church and the Pope's wisit to go ahead. If the Vatican can be assured that the Government is prepared to talk with the Church and the Pope's wisit to go ahead. If the Vatican can be assured that the Government is prepared to talk with the Church and the Pope's wisit to go ahead. If the Vatican can be assured that the Government is prepared to talk with the Church and the Pope's wisit to go ahead. If the Vatican can be assured that the Government is prepared to talk with the Church and the Pope's wisit to go ahead. If the Vatican can be assured that the Government is prepared to talk with the Church and the Pope's wisit to go ahead. If the Vatican can be assured that the Government is prepared to talk with the Church and the Pope's wisit to go ahead. If the Vatican can be assured that the Church and the Pope's wisit to go ahead. If the Vatican take place in the Vatican next

The Church is having to be two elements on the one hand, the Popes visit would give great encouragement to the Polish people and strengthen the church's possion in its negotiations with ition in its negotiations with the Polish Government, His the Polish Government, His spirit to Poland two years ago helped to shape the spirit of apposition in the country and was a contributing factor to the birth of Solidarity, the free trade union. On the other hand, a papal visit would be seen by the Government and exploited as legitimes.

ment and exploited as legiti-mizing martial law.

A decision on the visit has been delayed for as long as pussible—the religious point of the trip is the 600th amiversary of the miracle of the Madonna of Czestochowa - but Church-state relations have now reached a crucial phase. Church sources be-lieve further postponement of an announcement may thus create more problems

than it solves. The Church has presented an important strategy document, now circulating among the country's bishops, that goes, some way towards creating a bridge with the Government. It recongizes that Solidarity made mistakes and that some form of social contract involving both the Government and trade unions

is a desirable goal.

Although it lays the responsibility on the Government to create a suitable atmosphere for talks, by releasing internees, for example, it accepts that there are certain constraints on the martial law authorities.

Reformist Communist politicians said privately last May Day. General Wojciech week that the document was Jaruselski is expected to a useful negotiating base. make a speech that will the Pope will now be discuss both economic probexpected to give his approval lems and the essential role of to, it and both Government political dialogue, party

Moscow, April 20

The Russians yesterday

launched a new space labora-tery, Salyut 7, which will be used by a mixed Soviet-

French crew this summer.
The orbiting research lab-

oratory, sent up from the

Baikonur Space Centre in Kazakhstan, replaces the ageing 19-tonne Salyut 6, which was used by other mixed crews drawn from the Saviet Userawa from the

Soviet Union's communist allies under the Intercosmos

programme. Tass reported today that all

systems were functioning normally, and Salyut 7 is now orbiting the Earth every 90 minutes. 170 miles out in

whether to allow the Pope's umon structure, then the risk of the Pope "legitimizing" a repressive regime will

be less acute.
First signs that the Government is ready to go some way along this route came in an along this route came in an article in the daily Zycie Warszawy this week written by a former Solidarity activist, recently released from internment, criticizing the Government's union reform

proposals.

"But we must not expect miracles", said a Church adviser today. "The papal visit can still be delayed either until October or next March. "He emphorsizes that, if the visit is to go ahead in August, the decision will have to be made in the next two or three weeks for adequate preparations to be made.

made.

Meanwhile, the main concern of the Communist Party is to establish itself in the minds of the Polish people as the natural governing force in the country. To this end, the Central Committee Plenary session on Thursday will disscuss, the economy and the party's role in

and the party's role in solving its many problems.

The four main economic points on the agenda are: A discussion of the economic reality in Poland (industrial production fell by 7.4 per cent in March, 1982, compared to March, 1981) the need to build economic selfmanagement on the basis of social welfare councils in factories; the need to orientate trade more towards the Soviet Union and Comecon: and ways of reducing the

impact of radical price rises on ordinary Poles. The party will also agree on an appeal to be issued on to it and both Government and Church are expected to dicuss it during a joint changes are expected, though the agenda is flexible enough the outcome of these talks will prove to be the key the plenum on Friday.

different command". different command."

Herr Schmidt, whose policies are being increasingly criticized by younger and more left-wing members, had evidently realized the congress was in no mood for his usual confident, occasionally Russians launch second laboratory into orbit thers in future.

The Government was open that those in government had a responsibility to the whole country and less freedom of

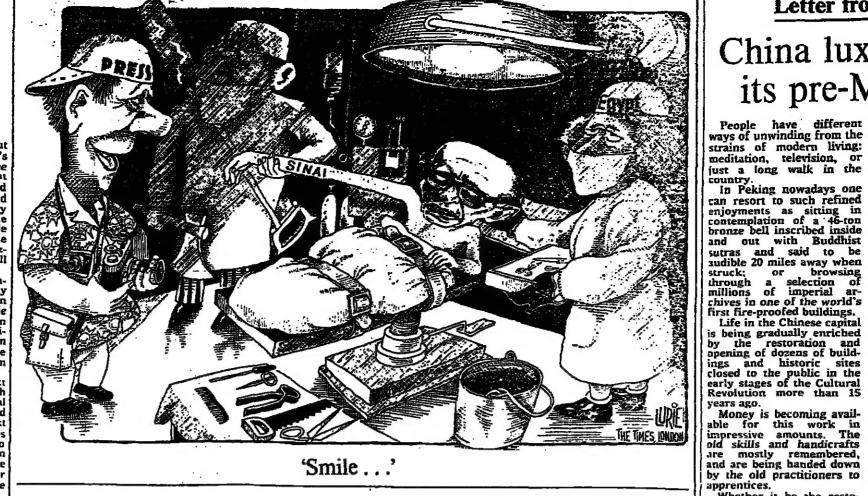
action. He urged the congress to reject proposals for a mora-torium on the stationing of new Nato medium-ranged nuclear missiles during the United States-Soviet nego-tiations on arms reductions

He reminded the congress

To members who advocate unilateral nuclear disarmament, he said: A one-sided lack of power does not prevent aggression by the stronger party. Neighbours of the Soviet Union have already had this experience. And so have many neighbour states of the aggressive Hitler dictatorship".

The Chancellor warned the congress that the tone and method of internal disputes was weakening the Social Democratic Party and costing it public support. He ap-pealed for "multiplicity in discussion but unity in action". Like Herr Willy Brandt,

Soviet and Afghan armour the party chairman, who spoke yesterday, called for mebel stronghold of Khoja Musafer, a village near survived the resbuffle:Reuter Pagman. — Reuter. evicted from a teenager's party. 100 people shouting "hang them" surged forward, kicking and punching. Reuter.



Schmidt tries to reunite his party

From Patricia Clough Munich, April 20

With an uncharacteristic-touch of humility Herr Helmut Schmidt, the West German Chancellor, today urged his critical and divided

urged his critical and divided Social Democratics to stand by Nato's missile policy and pleaded for party unity.

In a two-hour speech, he warned the party congress here that it had the choice between pulling itself together or being relegated to opposition where it could no longer influence the future longer influence the future of the country. The crucial issue before the congress, he said, "is not, in this very rough weather, to hand over the ship of state to a

counsel.

Moro was kidnapped on

63 accused are charged with his kidnapping and murder

and 16 other murders, includ-ing the five men of his bodyguard.

Moretti appeared anxious to speak during the trial because, as he told the court, he wanted to give their side of the activities of the

"armed party" in Italy.
One fear expressed was
that Moretti might intend

making allegations involving politicians, which, true or false, would be assured of widespread publicity, given the coverage of what is potentially the most important terrorist trial so far.

But investigators who know him well are convinced

of something quite different. To the rational mind, Moretti failed: even his coup in

kidnapping Italy's most emin-

ent politician and keeping him hidden for so long

cages, they believe they are unbeaten and unbeatable.

A thoughtful terrorist

Sydney, April 20. — A mob today attacked three men outside a court where they

had been remanded in cus-

tody on charges of shooting dead two youths after being

As they were led out, about

Mob attacks

accused

arrogant, manner. Speaking in quiet persuasive tones, he admitted: "I know I have made mistakes and I will not be able to avoid making

to the party's criticism and advice. He reassured Social Democrats that the party should always be ahead of government in its ideas, not trailing meekly in its wake. But at the same time he begged members to realize

tiations on arms reductions in Geneva. "The negotiations would be successful only if Moscow could expect the deployment of American weapons in Western Europe from the end of 1983" he said. "What reason could the Soviet Union have otherwise to negotiate seriously?" to negotiate seriously?"

that the issue was a question of principle for him, but refrained from repeating his threat to resign if it withdrew its support on this issue.

Red Brigades trial

Why Italian terror will not go away

From Peter Nichols Rome, April 20

As some of the most might have decided that the chilling figures in Italian prospects are good for a terrorism file back tomorrow revival of violence, despite into their cages, with the fact that the most resumption here of the trial prominent figures have been of Aldo Moro's alleged kil-arrested. There is growing the inevitable superior unemployment expecially unemployment. unemployment, especially among reasonably well-educated young people, who make up three-quarters of lers, the inevitable question hanging over the improvised courtroom is: What next? At the opening of the trial last week, even the most hardened killers among the the total.

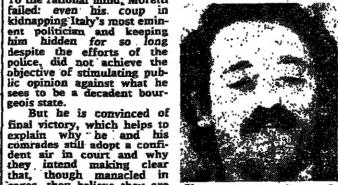
A high-ranking officer in the security services points out that Fascist violence in 1921 and 1922 originated not 40 accused present (out of 63) agreed to a degree of collaboration with the court. only with the sub-proletariat, but above all with young people of the middle classes. The economic crisis after the First World War impinged less on their lives than the present one because agriculture. This behaviour in itself was unusual. It is more normal for terrorists of the far left to refuse both the authority of the court and defending present one because agricul-ture still absorbed those who Their conduct throughout the day's proceedings was much calmer than at most of the trials involving leaders of the Red Brigades. The behaviour was imposed by Mario Moretti, still the undisputed leader of the militant wing of could not find jobs else-

Now they feel frustrated, accuse the unions of having betrayed them and the welfare state of having abandoned them. From 1968 onwards they have seen a the Brigades. He was repu-tedly the interrogator of the former Prime Minister durseries of killings and kidnaping the 55 days of Moro's capitivity; as well as having been responsible for the decision to kill him. Would it be easy to find

men of the unquestioning resolution of Moretti among today's disaffected youth? If 40 accused were freed could they regain a following and repair the old myth of invincibility?

The politicains have failed to provide the social reforms essential to remove a motive for armed resistance but they are favoured by the fact that the consuming drive which characterized the terrorists of four years ago seems now to be lacking and there is a greater readiness to give information after arrests.

For all that, terrorism will not go away, "We have", one successful investigator says, "reduced terrorism and limited kidnappings". And what next? "The next great expansion in crime will involve the drug traffic."



Signor Moretti: Accused of Moro killing

Mauroy style of governing

Paris, April 20

M Pierre Mauroy, the Prime Minister, has felt it necessary to justiffy, in a lengthy article in Le Monde,

President Mitterrand might use tomorrow's Cabinet meeting to give his views on the matter.

M Lionel Jospin, the First Secretary of the Socialist Party, did not consider it desirable that individual ministers should expatiate at length and in public on their length and in public on their own convictions. "That debate must be confined to the Cabinet," he said.

debates. That is the choice of

tions remain open, they must be put to the country without dissimulation. "On the other hand, when the choice is made and the decision taken, the Government is jointly responsible for its implemen-tation and does not tolerate any breach of solidarity."

However valid in theory, this distinction does not altogether agree with the present Government's practice on several recent occa-

defends his From Charles Hargrove

his method of running the Government, which has been under increasing attack from many sides, and not only by his political opponents. It is in accordance, he says, "with the democratic options of the

The controversy between M Robert Badinter, the Minister of Justice, and M Baston Defferre, the Minister of the interior, over the extent of police powers has once again brought into question te cohesion of the Socialist administration, the coherence of its policy, and the ability of the Prime Minister to impose both upon

Mauroy wuites: "Where the practice of our predecessors had turned the members of the Government into docile and interchangeable interpreters of a score in which they had no say more than 20 years of opposition have made it possible (for the left) to produce strong personalities who are not afraid to state and to defend their standpoint."

standpoint."
He goes on: "It is my duty as Prime Minister to arbitrate when divergencies arise, and to decide when difficulties appear. That is what I do, and I do not consider it desirable for the Government suddenly to impose decisions which cannot have been previously democracy."

While different policy op-

Japanese concessions on croissants and cognac

From Charles Hargrove, Paris, April 20

a promise to buy a few helicopters — for such paltry results was it worthwhile for President Mitterrand to become the first French head of state to pay a state visit to Japan?

This is the question most French commentators are asking themselves today, and the answers depend on their capacity to penetrate the mist of elaborate politeness and inscrutability under which the Japanese shroud their real thoughts and intentions.

Japnese give up their aggressive industrial policy and their protectionist commercial practices, the French President obviously made no headway. Although some of the ministers and members

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decided to make this visit, to which his predecessors never got round, could easily be interpreted by his hosts confirmation of their own strengh. But he was able to exploit the immense curiosity and interest raised in public opinion by his presence. His unprecedented initiative, for instance, in proposing to answer the questions of Japanese television viewers met with an overwhelming response, and it drove home to Government and people an image of France, which broke the solidly entrenched cliches of the country of baute couture and cultures.

At Tsukuba, the scientists' town, he insisted on the solid

its pre-Mao past People have different ways of unwinding from the strains of modern living: meditation, television, or just a long walk in the country.

In Peking nowadays one can resort to such refined enjoyments as sitting in contemplation of a 46-ton bronze bell inscribed inside and out with Buddhist sutras and said to be people would would rather they were left a they are.

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Much Chine, architecture is of would rather they were left a they are. can resort to such refined enjoyments as sitting in contemplation of a 46-ton bronze bell inscribed inside and out with Buddhist sutras and said to be struck; or browsing through a selection of millions of imperial archives in one of the world's first fire-proofed buildings.

In the buildings a China have a record of describing in warfare or fire, and reconstruction at perils of often less than a Centry. The building frequely survives as a concept than as a set of physical terminals.

The biggest monument like the Great Wall of the contemplation of the world's first fire-proofed buildings.

The biggest monumes, like the Great Wall China, can never be fur-restored, nor would then be any point in doing so Some old stretches of the wall can be rebuilt as close to their original form as possible, and opened to the public with small, specialized museum displays.

One of the biggest efforts made recently in Peking has

able for this work in made recently in reking has impressive amounts. The old skills and handicrafts rough rearranging of the area mostly remembered, and are being handed down by the old practitioners to apprentices.

Whether it be the restowhich contained elaborate which contained elaborate baroque palaces and a working zodiacal water-clock, designed by jesuits who found favour at the imperial court for over a century.

An Anglo-French force sacked the Yuan Ming Yuan to be tapped.

people carted off much of its masonry. Now school-children on outings swarm all over the ruins on weekdays. Some foreigners

still picnic there. One of the political inhibitions to restoration of buildings in the Peking area has been the fact that many of the biggest ones are dedicated to Buddhism, especially the Tibetan-style Lama Buddhism which strongly influenced the Manchus.

Some of the most notable monuments are copies of Indian buildings, whereas in other parts of China proper, Buddhist temples tend to have a more distincly Chi-nese flavour.

The biggest Buddhist temple - containing a statue of the Buddha more than 70ft high, and said to be carved from the trunk of one enormous tree brought all the way from distant Sichuan province - is open to visitors, with a few taciturn Mongolian monks in attendance.

David Bonavia

Puzzle of of security

to be tapped.

This is of considerable social and psychological importance for the Chinese people of today.

Moa Tse-tung wanted the

common people to be "poor and blank" so that he could

write his revolutionary pat-terns on their minds. But

this was a tremendous

under-assessment of his

Revolutionary or capitalist, most Chinese people

value their cultural heritage

the form of rustic marriage customs, clan lineages, or reciting ballads. No other people in the world are so

closely linked to so much of

their past, and it is reassur-ing that this link has survived the political up-heavals of the past century.

The effort to protect and

restore relics presents massive problems of re-

source-allocation. In the

case of many known sites — such as most of the Ming

and Quing tombs — the only feasible solution is to leave them as they are till funds

and expertise become available to open them. Many

fellow-countrymen.

From Harry Debellus Madrid, April 20

The chiefs of staff of the Army, Navy and Air Force met representatives of the Unified Anti-terrorist Command in Madrid today to coordinate the takeover of certain police duties by the armed forces, while the Government came under political criticism in connexion with the recent increase in terrorism,

Communist MP's agreed to question the Gevernment in Parliament about the lack of security precautions at the automatic telephone ex-change which was destroyed here last Sunday by Basque extremists and about security arrangements at other communications installations.

The question was prompted by press disclosures that the plice were aware beforehand that the Basque separatist organization ETA was planning to attack a target in Madrid with explosives last weekend and that the telephone company did not include the exchange—the country's most important on its priority list for special security measures.

Two other parliamentary groups, the conservative Democratic Coalition and the Catalan minority, said they would call for a debate in the Congress of Deputies, on the terrorist issue.

The meeting between top military and police officials was the second in two days, motivated by the Govern-ment's decision last Sunday to put into practice exceptional anti-terrorist mea-

The increase in political violence began last Wednesday with a bazooka attack on a police barracks in San Sebastian.

In the past six days, there have been six more attacks, resulting in the death of one policeman and injury to at least 13 people. Damages at the telephone centre in Madrid amounted to more than £5.5m.

A Madrid court sentenced the mayor and four other members of the town council of the Basque town Larrabeztu, near Bilbao, to one year in prison for "offending the chief of state". The five had passed a motion in the council last year disapproving of King Juan Carlos's plans to visit Guernica because he was "unworthy to

in Pampiona, a court sentenced a labourer to six months and one day in jail for setting fire to a Spanish flag while under the influ-

NEWS IN

EEC seeks

Brussels. — The agricultural ministers of the 10 EEC countries resumed their weary negotiations in Luxem-bourg to try to agree farm price rises (Ian Murray

writes).
British insistence on knowing how much it will have to pay means that a final decision over the next three days is impossible, but many of the details could be

Policeman jailed ın S Africa

Johannesburg. — Inspector Petrus Bronkhorst of the South African police, who lashed a taxi driver and three women — one of whom was pregnant — six times with a stick was sentenced to 17 months' imprisonment.

Spanish coup trial

Madrid.-The Spanish coup trial was adjourned for a week to give the prosecution and defence time to prepare

was originally expected to be over by the end of this month, but Señor Calvo Sotelo, the Prime Minister, said he does not expect sentences to be passed until late next month or early in

Ministry of Justice has dropped espionage charges against Mr Arne Herlov Petersen, aged 38, author and left-wing activist (Christopher Pollor) Follett writes). He was arrested and remanded in custody for three days last November, charged with helping Mr Vladimir Merku-

Cuba travel banned Washington. - The United

States Government has banned business and pleasure travel to Cuba in an effort to limit the flow of American dollars to the country. Mr John Walker, Assistant Treasury Secretary, accused Cuba of "sponsoring armed violence against our friends and

Taranto. — Kidnappers have set free Signor Raffaele Fitto, aged 34, an Italian businessman abducted five months ago after his family paid a ransom of 880m lire

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Lieutenant-Colonel Jean-Loup Chrétien, aged 43, a French Air Force pilot, will be sent up with two Soviet cosmonauts to the laboratory n June in the first Bast-West joint expedition since the for technical research. 1975 Soviet-American link-up All the systems w between the Soyuz and Apollo spacecraft. Colonel Chrétien has been training for the mission at the Soviet

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Dr Sally Ride, aged 30,

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The man charged with his nurder was Paul Cleeland, then 30, a decorator also of Stevenage and an acquaint-ance of the victim. He was and a pully in June 1973, at. a retrial after a first jury failed to agree a verdict, and is now serving a 20-year life.

From the moment of his arrest, Cleeland has vigorousprotested his innocence. He is not a man of unblemished background who inadvertently become involved through bad luck. Both he and the victim were part of the Stevenage criminal fraternity. But he is convinced and recounts in a compelling and coherent magnitive ling and coherent narrative that in their determination to find the killer, the police may have entangled rhem-selves inextricably in a web of mistakes. He now admits he knows who was respon-sible; but he will not name them for fear of reprisals against both his family and himself, were he to be freed.

Insisting he had been framed, Cleeland conducted.

his own defence and in 1976 rook his case to the Court of Appeal. It was dismissed.

"This is clearly one of those cases", said Lord Justice Lawton, "where a number of cunning criminals have got together to concoct a spe-cious and, on the face of it, credible story to discredit the

But the appeal judge did not admit as evidence, a sequence of disturbing events since Cleeland's trial records. These led to an internal inquiry headed by Mr E. J. Boothby, Assistant Chief Constable of Nor-thamptonshire, who was called in after allegations by Cleeland that the errors were police decided to take a deliberate and the police gamble and put up a case evidence which led to his against him. But that case

If Cleeland's story is tinged sistency: against the police and prison authorities, it is bardly surprising. The report remains secret. The Home Office refuses to release it. despite repeated requests from MPs, because of rigid ules. Yet it could throw light both on what a prominent QC called the "quite unusual called the "quite unusual number of blemishes in connexion with the police evidence, in particular, dis-crepancies between the ballistic experts called by Cleeland and the police, and on "the extraordinary coinci-dence of patently false prison records, affecting or reasonably calculated to affect Mr Cleeland's appeal". Above all it could provide the basis for

An independent forensic An independent forensic scientist commissioned by The Times to give a preliminary opinion on Cleeland's case has come out in support of the prisoner's call for a retrial. Dr Julius Grant, secretary of the Society of Forensic Medicine, calls the conflicting ballistic evidence of experts "most disturbing the conflicting ballistic evidence of experts." of experts "most disturbing". He says it "would appear to provide Mr Cleeland with ample reasons for wanting his case reopened and on purely scientific grounds I cannot do other than support this".

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"In the early hours of November 5, 1972 I was woken by knocking on my front door", Cleeland says. It was the police. "They informed me that a man named Terry Clarke had been shot and killed and asked me if I would be prepared to help with their inquiries." At the

station he was asked to make a statement. "To this day I have never changed one line that was written down by the The police produced what was then one of their only pieces of evidence against him. A woman had allegedly seen him enter his house a 2.30 am on November 5. It turned out to be a neighbour well-known to Cleeland. "I proceeded to say that this woman and her husband were a right pair and that I had had trouble with them since I had moved into my home about a year previous. I said this was not the first

time this woman had told the

police stories about me and

that it was only the presence

of an independent witness on investigation, he says; and as a previous occasion that far as Sergeant Atkinson's

While at the station he met Pat Clarke, wife of the dead man. She had seen the killer but not recognized him. He-says she told Cleeland: "the person who had fired the gun

returned home. Later that day the police came back and again asked him to go to the station. This time he was placed in the cells and on November 7 charged with murder. He stood trial early in April 1973 and the jury failed to agree a verdict.

Before the next trial Cleeland says he "sent out" from prison to get as much

from prison to get as much information about the killing as he could. What came back was that the shotgun being shown at the trial — a "Gye" Moncrieffe 12-bore picked up near the murder scene — was not that used to kill Clarke Second, that two people took part in the killing; one doing the actual killing, the other acting as a "minder". He was told they used a pump rifle (sawn off) and that they used Clarke's own Rover car which he had previously reported stolen. They went down into Essex and dumped the gun in a weir at Harlow. The "minder" was also armed with a sawn-off shotgua and that, too, was dumped in the weir. He also gleaned that the cartridges used were Ely cartridges; not Blue Rival, as claimed by the

Three weeks after Cleeland was charged — according to the notebook of Detective Inspector John Ratcliffe who was in charge of the scene of the crime — two shotguns were recovered from the weir at Harlow, and one was a Westernfield 12-bore

Cleeland says, that the police realized how difficult things were getting. He felt he had been arrested initially not as a direct suspect but in an effort to get him to talk and had been charged so that he could be kept inside. When what he believed to be the real murder weapon was Hanratty, hanged in 1962.
found in Harlow weir, the charge against him should trial McCafferty had had 24 have been dropped, he says. Instead, he maintains, the police decided to take a contains one glaring incon-

Det Insp Ratcliffe records in his notebook that on the m as notebook that on the morning of November 7 he took to the Metropolitan Police Laboratory in London at 9.30 am (10.30 in oral evidence) two spent Blue Rival cartridges found with the "Gye" Moncrieffe 12bore picked up near the murder scene; 18 live Blue Rival carnidges found near by; and the hand stock of the gun itself. These were examined by Mr John McCafferty, then principal scientific at the control of the second s then principal scientific of-ficer of the laboratory, who said that wadding found near Clarke's car could have come from Blue Rival cartridges. They were returned to Stevenage police station, according to the exhibits book, on the 15th.

But another officer, Detec-

tive Sergeant Norman Atkinson, the police photographer, said in evidence that on that day, the 7th, he took photographs of the scene of the crime until about 11.30 am; then went to Stevenage police station where he collected a shorgun and a quantity of cartridges from Det Insp Ratcliffe himself and took these to police headquarters at Welwyn Garden City where they were photographed. The photographs show clearly the handstock of the gun, and the cartridges: According to his notebook, Atkinson returned to HQ at 12.45. Therefore he must have collected the gun between 11.20 when he was last at the 11.30, when he was last at the of the crime, and then; and taken the photographs in

the afternoon. No explanation for this extraordinary contradiction was offered in court. Crossexamined by Cleeland, Rat-cliffe said he had a receipt showing the cartridges and handstock to have handstock to have been delivered at the London "Sergeant Atkinson must be mistaken."
"How could McCafferty

have carried out tests on November 7 1972 at the Metropolitan Lab, if, in fact, we have the photographs that show the items McCafferty says he had?" Cleeland asks. As the police said, it could be a mistake. But the evi-dence of PC Kittle gives rise to further concern. On the 7th, the day Ratcliffe-said he went to London, PC Kittle says he went with the Inspector to the crime scene. Cleeland concludes: "If both D/I Ratcliffe and Mr McCafferty are giving the correct evidence, then D/S Atkinson and P/C Kittle are clearly giving inaccurate evidence. Ratcliffe, now Superintendent and Commander of Stevenage police, says that he stands by what he said at the trial. "All the defects spoken about by Cleeland

investigation, he says; and as

There is one final mystery surrounding the cartridges.
The police did buy a control
box of 25 Blue Rival
cartridges in Stevenage but that was not until Saturday the 11th. If the ones found at person who had fired the gun was about six feet away from Terry and about 20 feet from her". He was "about five feet eight inches, had short dark curly hair and was wearing a dark suit with a vent in the back."

Cleeland who is fair and about 5 feet 11 inches, returned home. Later that day the police came back and the lith. If the ones found at the laboratory from November 7 to 15, it is unexplained why one witness, Raymond Newton, should have testified in a statement signed November 8 to having been shown a box of 25 Blue Rival cartridges. And why did Ian Graham, another, say he saw such a laboratory from November 7 to 15, it is unexplained why one witness, Raymond Newton, should have testified in a statement signed November 8 to having been shown a box of 25 Blue Rival cartridges. another, say he saw such a box on the 10th? Furthermore, an album of photo-graphs showing the loose cartridges was already in the exhibits book by the 9th.

GUN EVIDENCE

'Guilty or not guilty the police were wrong over the distance involved'

Little was made of the disturbing discrepancies in ballistic evidence at Clee-land's first trial. With the second one pending, he says: "At this stage my only thought was to get out and I decided the best way for that to be done was to prove to the court that the shotgun produced by the prosecution was not that used to kill Clarke so all the evidence as to that shotgun was useless

Cleeland maintains his expert, a registered gunmaker, supported him — that the gun in court, fired twice at the distance alleged by Pat Clarke, would have caused more damage to the victim than it did. Pat Clarke she saw the flash of the gun at about 6 feet from her husband and a neighbour who looked out of his window, said he too, saw the flash of a second shot about

6 feet from the car. The Crown's chief witness on the ballistic evidence was Mr McCafferty, principal scientific officer at the Metropolitan Police Forensic Laboratory, Holborn. McCafferty gave evidence until his retirement at several famous trials including that of James Hanratty, hanged in 1962

years' experience of handling firearms. He was a police lisison officer with the lab-oratory until his retirement from the force in 1964 when he took over as head of the Metropolitan Police Labora-

McCafferty told the court that the gun he had examined and tested, the 12-bore "Gye" Moncrieffe, produced similar shot patterns to those on the victim's body with the target at 18 feet from the muzzle. No one, he said, had asked him to fire from 18 feet but "I looked and examined the shots spread on the [victim's] perience of weapons I selec-ted a range which I thought was probable, fired a car-tridge and then adjusted my range by firing additional cartridges until the spread was of the same distance as on the garments." The two fired cartridges



Early on November 5, 1972, Paul Cleeland (left), a petty crook from Stevenage, was taken by police and accused of murdering Terry Clarke, another small time criminal. In June 1973, despite his fierce denials, Cleeland was found guilty of murder and sentenced to 20 years.

Since then he has worked from inside prison to prove his innocence. The conflicting evidence shows that, at the very least, the case should be put before another jury.



According to the notebook and evidence of a police photographer, this photograph of cartridges was taken at Hertfordshire Police HQ at

Welwyn Garden City on November 7, 1972. But McCafferty and another prison officer testified that on that day these items were being tested in London.

found with the gun were marked as having been loaded with number 6 size lead shot by the Anglia Cartridge Company, Norwich; were identical to an unfired batch of 18 of a type called Blue Rival made by that company, found near the murder site. When fired, from the "Gye" Moncrieffe, these showed matching firing marks to those on the spent cartridges. Against this was the evi-

Against this was the evidence of Cleeland's own expert, Ronald Jennings, managing director of Jennings and Groves, gunmakers of Fareham, Hants, who tested the gun"in the presence of McCafferty and the police. He concluded in a statement of May 30, 1973, that "allowing for errors it seems that 40 feet is almost own and another evidence against him the gun produced in court; another sistence of man and his wife testified they had sold him the gun produced in court; another prisoner had had a conversation in the cells on certainly the distance". Unfortunately for

land, when it came to trial, Mr. Jennings — as the judge put it — did not stand up in the witness box as well as had been expected. Cross-examined on spread of shot, on the front wound he agreed the spread could give a firing distance of 17 feet; one foot less than McCafferty. He added, however, that at such a distance his target had had a hole punched in it. And in a letter to Cleeland's solicitors in January 1974, after the trial, he said: "... guilty or not guilty the police were

wrong over the distance involved."

It would have remained one expert's word against another, but for one further opinion, not referred to in the judge's summing up: the evidence of Dr M. Rufus Crompton, consultant pathol-ogist at St George's Hospital, London. From studying the autopsy report, photographs and X rays and examining the body, he concluded that as the pellets had not penetrated much deeper than the sub-

Cleeland the cartridges and a the night of Cleeland's arrest third said Cleeland had asked which amounted to a conhim to look after some cartridges. Both the latter were known to Cleeland and both had criminal records. He denies he ever owned or possessed the gun in court or either of the other two guns found in the weir.

Cleeland was sentenced on June 25, 1973, with a recommendation of a minimum 20 years. He lodged notice of appeal, and pending that, further tests on the "Gye" Moncrieffe were carried out by J. G. J. Rothery, a registered gunmaker from Portemouth These crucial Portsmouth. These crucial Through the prison grape-tests, inadmissible at the vine Cleeland got in touch

presence of McCafferty and the police that the gun "must have been fired from a minimum distance of 38ft and a maximum distance of 44ft". a maximum distance of 4417
"Had this firearm been fired
at 18ft from the victim as
described in Mr McCafferty's
evidence I feel that far more damage would have occurred to the car and to the back of the deceased. The conclusion must, therefore, be drawn that if this gun was used, it was fired at a distance in excess of 38ft, or alternatively, if the range was 18ft, then this gun and cartridge were

emains over evidence on lead traces on Cleeland's clothes. McCafferty under-took chemical tests using swabs and found lead traces on the front of his suit and donkey jacket which might, he said, have come from a gun. Another expert, Mr F.

A more complicated and lengthy test than that undertaken by McCafferty exists, which can differentiate between environmental con-tamination and lead from the use of an electron microscope and ancillary apparatus and depends on time and staff available. But despite the doubts, it was not

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land says, he struck upon the answer to the problem: his Category "A" book; a de-tailed log of his movements which follows him from 'I knew I had never had an interview with Nash, yet these

So the police had secured a conviction, albeit an untidy one. But the matter did not rest there; another witness came to light. Cleeland was sent to Wandsworth where he came across another prisoner called Nash who said he recognized Cleeland and had

which amounted to a con-fession of guilt. The police said they hid in near by cells and made notes. He made strenuous efforts

to see Nash who was eventu-ally seen on his behalf by a member of the prison staff. Cleeland says he was told "Nash was a bit of a romancer and had not been in Stevenage police station."

"When I heard this I was

rather mad for the last thing I wanted at that time was a nutter so I decided I would see what could be done about Nash."

appeal, tip the scales firmly with Nash, established that surprisingly, that the reports in favour of the defence had after all been at the ballistic evidence. police station and urged him Rothery concluded after tests on October 8 1974 in the to contact Cleeland's solicitors. On receiving Nash's

formed that according to the

records, he had seen Nash on

weeks later he was told they

had found the entry to be correct and it would stand.

reasoned that either

there had been a mistake, or it was done deliberately with

the intention of showing at the appeal that he and Nash

had colluded, therefore dis-

crediting the latter. "Can you think of any other way of

destroying an honest wit-ness? Both myself and Nash

would have been discredited

once and for all for who would you believe, myself and Nash or the prison

After much thought, Clee-

prison to prison. This did

any visit from Alan Russell,

nor of a visiting order being sent or received.

"could quite understand one record not being made [as]

regards Alan Russell but three people in three differ-ent offices all don't make the

same mistake and not record

the visit". A prison officer then had the idea of checking

the main gate book at Wandsworth. This, it turned out, recorded the visit from

A full report went to the

an inquiry.
The inquiry was delayed,

deliberately?

The Governor told him he

records?"

statement from his lawyers, Cleeland — by this time at Albany — decided to inform the Court of Appeal that had he been able to see Nash at Wandsworth much time would have been saved; and second, that a member of the prison staff had told him, wrongly, that Nash could not It was at this point, early in 1974, that the errors in the prison records first came to light. Cleeland asked the prison governor if he could know the date he had requested to see Nash at Wandsworth. He was in-

One further question mark He was told that was the end of the matter. "Upon hearing this", Cleeland recounts, "I A. Lyne, then president of the Association of Public Analysts, gave evidence say-ing he had found the same lead contamination but con-cluded it to be more likely to am afraid I lost my temper, for I knew I had never had an interview with Nash, yet these people were telling me I had."

to a single incident.

NEW WITNESS

record a visit on the 4th, but with a man called Alan Russell; not Nash. Yet the prison records had no note of people were telling me I had'

Home Office who said the eneries at Wandsworth recording a visit from Nash had been made in error and had investigation and after pres-sure from Mrs Shirley Williams, then MP for Stevenage, the Hertfordshire Con-stabulary agreed to conduct

entries.

About this time, just before Christmas 1976, Cleeland's mother brought him an envelope that he says had been pushed through her front door. It was a photo-copy of a sworn affidavit by a Det. Sergeant O'Connor dated February 26 that year the day of the appeal, and Cleeland says it was the first time he had seen it. At first he could not see its signifi-

cance.
The affidavit turned out to contradict evidence given by the other police officers at the appeal as to the time Nash was moved to the female cells. this was at 11.30 pm on the 5th; the others the morning December 4, 1973 in connextion with his appeal.

Cleeland petitioned the Home Office in protest. Six so who is right and who is who is right. wrong or is it as Nash says, he was never moved? Cleeland asks.

The outcome of Cleeland's letters to the Chief Constable of Rectfordshire over this was that the Assistant Chief Constable of Northampton-saire, Mr E. J. Boothby, was appointed to investigate both the errors and the question

of the affidavit. What happened next, Cleeland recalls, is "the part that makes the whole story really incredible". In view of the Boothby inquiry, asked if he could check all his letter and visit sheets What came to light was that the master sheet, on to which and visit sheets were copied when he moved to Albany in 1973, contained names and addresses that did not appear

on the Brixton Wandsworth sheets which he was provided. The missing details must have been on the original sheets when he first arrived at Albany, Cleeland says, otherwise how would the names have been known? "Both myself and the PO [prison officer] came to the same conclusion, and that was, my letter and visit, sheets had been altered after my arrival at Albany prison".
This too was referred to Mr Boothby. His report was

completed three years ago. It went to the Director of Public Prosecutions who concluded that there was insufficient evidence for a prosecution, and to this day the Home Office has refused its publication.

Cletiand's version

'The heavy mob began to worry. They felt Clarke had. become a danger to them and

however, pending Cleeland's appeal. He tried to obtain copies of the prison records for the hearing but was refused. The court, content that there had been a clerical error which was now cor-rected, refused to order their disclosure. Cleeland was far from content. By now be had arrested him to talk and had begun to doubt if the errors were truly accidental. If not, he asks, could the Home Office really be expected to admit to the Appeal Court that they had been altered deliberately. trial together and served terms of imprisonment. A couple of years before the murder there had been a bad fight between them — the

The appeal went ahead, Cleeland choosing to conduct his own defence, on February 26, 1976. On the first day the Crown presented him with a bundle of affidavits, seen then for the first time, dealing with Nash, his chief witness. The burden of these was that on the morning of November 5 — the day of the murder — Nash was trans-ferred to the female cell block at Stevenage so that the male cells were free for some robberies. suspects in the murder case,

and thus was not around at the time of Cleeland's alleg-edly self-incriminating con-In evidence Nash stood by his first statement that he had been at his cell door all night opposite Cleeland, and not seen or heard anything. But the police produced a second later statement, in which Nash said he was not at the door all night; had slept some of the time and now doubted which cell area he was in. Nash claimed he had made this second statement at insistence from the police that he had been mistaken, and had signed it in the end "to get out of the

police station." Lord Justice Lawton dis-missed Nash as not credible and since he was the main plank of the appeal, the case was rejected. "As you can well expect," Cleeland comments,"I felt right sick".

Events now took a further turn. Cleeland, by then in Gartree, again took up the question of the prison records and the wing assistant governor carried out a internal inquiry. He concluded the discrepancies in the record, letter and visit sheets could not have arisen the murderer, if it existed, through error and asked the may have backfired. Having Home Office to reconsider.

The Home Office refused. Not satisfied with this, the Governor asked the assistant governoer to submit a fresh report which was finally sent to the Home Office nearly a year later. Again it was rejected. Cleeland wrote to Shirley Williams, who was told by the Home Office,

they saw him off Why should the police bother to frame Cleeland for a murder he says he did not commit, if indeed they did so? He maintains they only to charge him to keep him.

Both Cleeland and Clarke, the victim, had criminal records. They had known and chother since 1961; stood

Crown alleged this was the motive for the murder — but according to Cleeland it had long since been patched up.

Cleeland's version of events is this: Clarke once him mixing with a gang who were always getting caught, Cleeland, on his own admission, put Clarke in touch

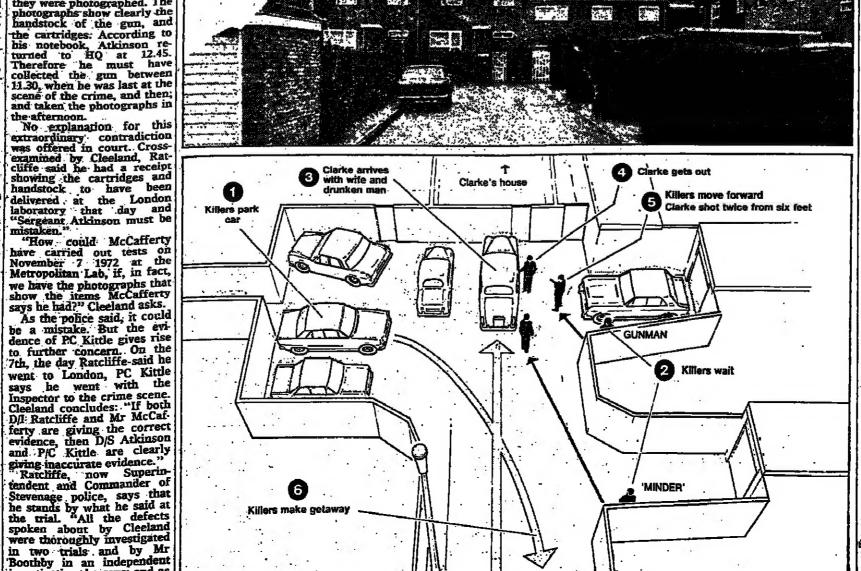
Things "started to go wrong" when Clarke got mixed up with another man in a "safe job" at a hotel, Cleeland says. A credit card and cheque book were taken and cheque book were taken and cheque book were taken and cheque books. and goods purchased. The police caught them both, and, Cleeland says did a deal involving their pleading guilty to receiving stolen goods at the magistrates' court in order to avoid the safe-breaking charge going to the crown court.

would not plead guilty as he was already on parole. Clarke became desperate. He started to negotiate with the police to have the more serious charge dropped, knowing he would face a heavy prison sentence. The "heavy mob", as Cleeland describes those he introduced Clarke to, heard about this and began to "They felt they could not

trust Clarke who had become a danger to them and although I told them he was all right, they saw him off." This explanation, plus the Rothery ballistic evidence and the sequence of errors in the prison records have never been before a court. The police ploy to discover charged Cleeland, they naturally would have pressed their case against him. But the result is a man serving 28 years on the basis of an unsatisfactory conviction and patent inconsistencies in ballistic and other evidence, which in the interests of

How Clarke was murdered: The villains' version

Cleeland's underworld contacts told him that Clarke had been ambushed by two men, both armed with sawn-off shotguns. The murder was witnessed by Clarke's wife and a neighbour from an upstairs window. The killers arrived and escaped in Clarke's Rover car, which he had reported stolen, and dumped their weapons in a weir at Harlow.



Television Frames of reference

Frince's Prior Tomorrow, Bright Beat (BBC 1), as wretched after of television hackwork at I have ever teen, is there is about what matters in final time. He finds the protest fine time. He finds the sixtles so faccinating that his picture of faccinating that his picture is not consisted up warine, is only conjured up as any commentary on the earlier anti-war movement anothe relative innocence of the confrontation. But a 55-mate play needs more than or idea.

An anxious Robin Ellis an ominously clinical mistration. Is his wife in liabour? Has she been certified? Or have they merely redecorated Television Centre? Such was the failure of rre? Such was the failure of Mr Prince and his director, Peter Duffell, to create tension that by the time we learnt, several confusing flashbacks later, how his daughter was in custody for her part in the assassination of a pro-war politician many viewers must have switched over to professional snooker.

Sarah Berger, combining feminine delicacy with a martyr's steel, and Mr Ellis seized their belated chance for pathos in an interview where, like Arthur Miller's Proctor and Shaw's St Joan, she was persuaded to sign away her integrity only to find that the state gives nothing in exchange. Too late: desultory reminiscence of Daddy meeting Mummy at an anti-LBJ demo had taken its toll, to say nothing of an interminable party scene showing her fellow-juves affecting Sixties gear and catchphrases in a highly improbable display of camp.

Throwaway references to habitual street violence, compulsory conscription and dictatorship by Euro-edict larded the script as awkwardly as historical touches in third-rate costume drama. At least the designer, Nigel Curzon, had fun with the frigidly elegant funcistic. the frigidly elegant futuristic sets, including an interview room that managed to be terrifying by sheer geometry. But, if this series's view of tomorrow is right, the graffito may well be pro-phetic that says it has been

Anthony Masters

Interview: Philip Prowse

Encouraging directions

"Whether this works or whether it doesn't, I hope I'll have the courage to go back to Glasgow and leave the London theatre to die the death it so richly deserves — a death caused by directors who have not the faintest. sense of design, actors who believe that

a play can exist on a page instead of a stage, and audiences still willing to pay for provincial, parochial, puritanical rubbish".

. . . Thus Philip Prowse, joint artistic director (with Giles Havergal and Robert David MacDonald) of the Glasgow Citizens' Theatre and now the director of MacDonald's play Summit Conference, which opens at the Lyric on April 28 after a week of previews. Originally seen, though with a rather less starry cast, two seasons ago in Glasgow, the play concerns a dramatic, often hilarious yet totally fictitious meeting in Berlin in 1941 between those two celebrated mistresses Eva Braun and Clara Petacci while their menfolk, Hitler and Mussolini, are otherwise engaged. The entire cast now consists of Gienda Jackson, Georgina Hale and (as a young German soldier) Gary Oldman, but even with two stars of that calibre Prowse is unsure whether his first London production has a chance of

success: "It's not your usual West End fare, thank God, and in fact it was never intended to be seen down here: David wrote it for our Glasgow company, and we did it there and I never expected to see it again, until a producer called Colin Brough rang up and told me that Glenda had read t and was keen to do it and would I direct? Actually he clidn't have a lot of choice, since there was a clause in David's contract saying that the

play couldn't be done without ma". That Glasgow triumvirate tends to and Havergal, in fact started to work together as designer and director in the late 1950s when Havergal was in charge of a very different local theatre in Watford:

"He asked me to do the sets for some of his productions there and for the first time in my life I found some sort of company spirit, some idea of what a theatre was supposed to be about. But it was a civic theatre and there was a sudden ciampdown on funds in the classic Tory tradition of artistic repression. Ve'd been getting a lot of very good star names in audacious shows — Vivien Herchant came to do Siecet Bird of Youth and then Pinter played Lenny for us in a production of his The Homecoming - but that all got rather upmarket expensive, so we began discussing a new-play policy with only very young actors which we were just starting to put into action when the money and the

into action when the money and the local enthusiasm ran out; so we moved north to Glasgow.

"There too we started with a policy of famous old ladies in minklined vehicles, but Glasgow rapidly decided that Constance Cummings in Tennessee Williams's The Milk Train Doesn't Stop Here Any More was Southern degenerate rubbish, so we moved on in 1970 to the policy. so we moved on in 1970 to the policy we've stuck to ever since of a very young company in a wide range of

new and classic work.

"Giles has this extraordinary impresario ability to take a mix of apparently ill-suited people and turn them into a team; he also is one of those very rare directors who relish being a house manager, so that he still stands in that bloody Glasgow foyer every night, all six foot four of him, and age hasn't made his appearance any more conventional, saying 'Good evening' to bewildered "Of course there was a certain

culture shock in going straight from Watford to Glasgow but it really is the most remarkably cosmopolitan city: no colour problems, no religious bigotry, and they seemed to accept us even sooner than we accepted them. Our only problem was a middle-class supposedly 'cultured' elite who kept making bizarre demands to see 'Scottish classics' on stage, whatever they might be. Luckily there's now Euan Hooper's Scottish Theatre Company to keep them quiet, and we can get on with the plays we believe in. I'd make only two claims for our first ten years at the Citizens': we kept an apparently dying theatre in existence, and we found a way thanks to an extremely tolerant and (thanks to an extremely tolerant and enlightened board of management) of giving ourselves total artistic

Three years into their Glasgow management Havergal and Prowse were joined by the playwright

MacDonald, and at around that time Prowse decided that, as he was in a position of some power, he would also encourage himself to direct: 'I'd always been a designer, and the other two choked a lot when I told them the news, but they seem to have taken it very well. My problem now is that in order to get taken seriously elsewhere as a director I have to turn down a lot of very lucrative opera and play design jobs. As a designer I stick to ballet, which is where I started."

Born 43 years ago in the Midlands, a sailor's son, Prowse grew up on the huge Littler Christmas pantomime extravaganzas in Birmingham, and by the age of 18 he was studying at the Slade: "They had this sampling concerns." had this appalling concept of 'painters for the theatre' instead of real designers, but it was a good place to have been and I was lucky enough to get to Covent Garden in 1961, so I spent the next few years in reasonably constant work as a freelance ballet designer, working for directors who if they came from Europe did at least have some emote idea of what design was all about. Over here the usual lack of money backstage has been turned into a terrible sort of virtue, so that true design in the European theatre sense is still virtually unknown.

"For a long time after I went to Glasgow I still kept pretending that I really wanted to be a designer first and a director second; actors in rehearsal made me very nervous, because I'd only ever met them in pubs or fitting-rooms and it took me a long time to get my ideas across." When he did, the result was a series of remarkable Glasgow productions including the professional world première of Coward's Semi-Monde (a kind of Grand Hotel on stage) and a Duchess of Malfi which went to the Theatre of Nations festival at a time when its other visiting directors were Barrault and Bergman:
"Around then I began to think
that I really could be a full-time

director, though until now I've only ever worked with our Glasgow

when you're pushing eminent ladies about the stage you have to mind your manners rather more. Writers seem to have got a lot softer here in London, too, since I went away; we are living on a myth of Great English Theatre. You go to Stratford and sit amid five hundred Japanese tourists watching a totally terrible Taming of the Shrew and you suddenly realize that they've no way of telling how terrible it is. It's like us going to Tokyo and gawping at Kabuki. How do we know it's not rubbish too?

"Directing is all about realizing that a script is only the beginning; it's only what the actors actually say to each other while they are on a to each other while they are on a stage. If a play exists perfectly on the page, then there's no point in doing it on the stage; a good script is only a notation of what people say. What happens then is up to a director; maybe that's why I seem to do so few modern plays. It doesn't help having the author standing around at rehearsal. In ballet the power of the director is total and accepted; in drama he's still sup-posed to be part of the team, and that's how you get all the rubbish.

"The wonderful thing about Glasgow is that most of our have never been to a theatre before they come to us, so they aren't sitting there complaining that it wasn't done like that at the Vic; and the actors too are new to it, so I listen to their ideas. Sometimes. Otherwise we might just as well save the money and have Gordon Craig's marionettes. But the curious thing about the actors we started at Glasgow over the last decade -Cheryl Campbell, John Duttine, Paola Dionisotti, Rupert Frazer — is that when I see them in London or on television I can hardly recognize them at all. Something seems to happen to people when they leave the Citizens'." Which is, just possibly, why Mr Prowse plans to stay there.



St George's, Hanover Square

Instead of a choir, the Parley of Instruments used the voices of Elizabeth Lane (deputizing for the sick Emma Kirkby), Ian Partridge and Stephen Roberts for and Stephen Roberts for three of Handel's Chandos Anthems which they performed at their London Handel Festival concert on Monday. The excuse for such Monday. The excuse for such economy was plausible enough. That was how the Duke of Chandos would probably have heard them in

the second decade of the 1700s.

By then Handel's Italian flame had been half quen-By then Handel's Italian flame had been half quen-ched by his deference to English refinement. And once we had accepted the usual vagaries of baroque oboe playing, the musicians on Monday responded sty-lishly to Handel's subtle

Perhaps in O Sing unto the Lord Miss Lane and Mr Partridge could have added weight to their suspensions in the duet "O worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness", and the fury of "The waves of the sea rage horribly" was tempered by poor instrumental coordilavish yearning, evoking appositely the dryness of a still, sun-baked Mediterrapean afternoon. I Will Magnify Thee elicited some of the mass like Tom Waits and mass like Tom Waits best violin playing of the Rickie Lee Jones, should now evening, complementing rap-turously Miss Lane's spon-taneous expressiveness in the aria "The Lord is righteous". As if to hint at the distant As it to hint at the distant sources of this music, the Parley included three sacred pieces by Monteverdi. Two simple hymn settings were counterbalanced by the more daring two voice version of daring, two-voice version of Confitebor tibi, Domine. Here Miss Lane and Mr Partridge Drawn from some surpris-engaged in colourful, erotic ing sources, but still containdialogue, crowned by the two ing a large proportion of the violins ushering them out songs with which he became

Second Stride, a contemporary dance company pre-senting works by Siobhan Davies, Ian Spink and Richard Alston, makes its debut at the Oxford Playhouse on May 5. After a British tour, which will include a London season at Riverside Studios from June 8 to 13, the company leaves for a four-week visit to the

Cinema

African adventures of fear and sympathy

The internationalism of film never ceases to surprise. I suppose, a strange picture to do. I got a phone call from production orginating from the Swedish Film Institute, filmed entirely on location in Zambia, with a Swedish crew, with British. American and anyway I said send the script. anyway I said send the script. When I got around to reading African actors, written and directed by a Rhodesia-raised it, I realized how good it was. Briton from the work of a South African novelist. The we talked it over and and Grass is Singing was published in 1950, and it gave Doris Lessing her European we taken it over and over. He sent me tapes of the South African accent that I would have to do. It's the Doris Lessing her European would have to do. It's the stature. Michael Raeburn is a most difficult on the face of stature. Michael Raeburn is a documentarist whose interest in Black Africa attracted him to the novel for his first feature. John Thaw shed his television persona to play a failing up-country farmer who marries a town woman frightened by a looming spectacle of old-maidship. Unable to adjust to the flies, hard to get rid of it. heat, tin-roofed homestead and native resentment she goes mad and is savagely murdered.

At the core of the film is a remarkable performance by Karen Black, who offers a brilliantly controlled study of a seurotic woman tripping over the threshold into insanity without forsaking the capacity to evoke sym-pathy and fear for the eventual tragedy.
The actress has had an

interesting career: more than

30 films since her debut in Francis Coppola's You're a Big Boy Now, when he, too, was an unknown, and she has worked with many major directors — Hitchcock, Clay-ton, Schlesinger, Mike Nichols and Altman among them. For the last of these she recently appeared in a Broadway play, Come Back to the 5 and Dime, Jimmy Dean, Jimmy Dean. With a title like that it probably deserved its probably deserved its probably deserved. The run of a mere six weeks. The critics roasted Altman, al-though he had invested much original and inventive stage-craft in the production, when the piece itself was so trivial that it scarcely warranted his

strention — unless to demon-strate how ineffective it is to use sledgehammers to crack



Karen Black: study of neurosis

It was a disappointment for Karen Black, who began her enormous respect for his skills in handling actors and was easily persuaded into going back on the stage to

for example, Airport 75, in which she was a stewardess who piloted a stricken 747 to a safe landing, achieving it. as aviation experts noted, without using the rudder. But then she also made Five Easy Pieces, with Jack Nicholson.

Mose Allison

The Canteen-

nation. But As Pants the laconic singing was much in Heart was performed with vogue among hipsters 20 be awakened to the enduring charm of this minor original.

Allison's vocal delivery has hardly changed over years: his slack-jawed, un-mistakably rural diction still makes him sound like a boy from Mississippi dispensing handed-down wisdom over a jug of moonshine on a balmy front-porch evening.

gently with the dying echoes of the final, spare "Amen".

Stephen Pettitt

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Stephen St field. Songs from the canons of Nat Cole, Charles Brown, Hank Williams and Percy

we talked it over and over. "I was in Africa for two months working on the film, and very happy. I was in love with the director — we were about to be married. But it was a difficult film. He really wasn't treated very well. There was no first assistant director, for instance. There's a key scene where a maize field burns. A thing like that can easily get out of control, and there we were, the actors, in a burning field with no A.D. to tell us what to do.

to do.

"They'd change the schedule, telling Michael at the last
moment. He was wonderful
with the African actors, in
fact he could make an actor
of any of them. But he'd send
someone out into the bush
for the next day's shooting
and then they'd tell him the
schedule had changed, and
they couldn't telephone the
man waiting out there because there was no phone. man waiting out there be cause there was no phone. "The Swedes found the conditions strange. They'd be sent to a hotel and then find

that they couldn't take a shower, only a bath. So they would complain, and as for what they said about the lizards and the flies, and the heat and the distances! John Thaw was very funny — he's one of those people who can tell the same joke over and over again and still make it sound funny. He was worried about being typecast by The Speency. I think he worries too much about it. You just have to play the part and find the truth in it."

This year she reaches her thirty-ninth birthday. She lives in Greenwich Village with her six-year-old son Hunter. "It took months to find that name — his father wanted to call him Liberty. and other names of that sort." She was raised in Illinois, in a suburb of Chicago. "I came to New York when I was 18 just like a nitwic but I was 100 much a nitwit, but I was too much I never thought of being in movies. I did all the rounds, and I worked at switch boards, waitressing, all that stuff. During my first trip to Los Angeles to do the Coppola movie I became ill on the plane, and I thought my ears were going to burst. And then I was put in a car and driven out into the bright light. When I first saw the Sunset Strip I wanted to

"The next thing I shall do is a film called *Deep Purple*. It's set in 1939, in a sort of Walker Evans America of empty spaces punctuated by farms and glistening mud and truck tyres and Pepsi signs corroded by the weather. It will be directed by Paul Williams who made The Revolutionary with Jon Voight. It's about a woman who is looking for and thinks she has found the child she has given up for adoption, but it's not really ber daughter. Anyhow, I like it."

George Perry

Jazz -

Mayfield are focused through

The piano-playing, though, has changed a lot. Some of the sparkle has gone, and is replaced by a darker resonance: he makes pronounced use of the loud pedal, intentionally blurring some of his bustling parallel lines and sometimes sounding weirdly disorientated. By contrast, the verses of "How Much Truth" were separated by striking passages of glowing filigree.

The bassist Len Skeat and the drummer Art Morgas. the drummer Art Morgan, still familiarizing themselves,

had difficulty keeping up with him in the faster tunes on Monday, they seemed unsure whether he required straight 4/4 or a Latin 8/8, and tried to cover the uncertainty with busy infills.
A strange, off-centre version of "You Are My Sunshine", however, barely touching the tune as written, was the very essence of an artist whose ability to retain his freshness will enliven Covent Garden's latest jazz bar for the next 10

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Royal Court

As Paul Kember's play vanished from the Royal Court stage before the production could reap the benefits of its Evening Standard award, here is another chance to catch up with the work of "the most promising play-

wright of 1980". As labels go, that seems pretty fair. Not Quite Jerusan records the experiences of a miscellaneous group of young English volunteers on kibbutz, all wet behind the ears on arrival and variously sadder and wiser at the end. Mr Kember writes as if he knows his subject at first hand and has the resolution to build his plot out of everyday incidents; and sel-ects his material so as to present a controlled experiment in living together for a national ream who are famously not very good at it.

On the negative side, the everyday-life approach denies the piece any strong forward drive, and the metaphorical element is delivered in a solemn, didactic finale instead of arising from the story itself.

The two acts might be subtitled "work" and "play"; and the first is much the better of the two. In it we see the unhappy volunteers arriving in the midst of a desert rainstorm and miserably get-

boys into a Crary Gang medley ending with cropped trousers at which the Israelis

his message begins to loom. Perhaps the boys were saying something about the demo-

With introductions out of

There are a couple of fresh from sight-seeing in Tel Aviv ("tree took a good hair-hour", a self-styled Birmingham nurse with cultural pretensions, and Mike. Cambridge drog-out - the obvious group-leader who characteristically turns the

rainstorm and miserably get-ting acquainted under the unsympathetic gaze of an Ilsraeli liaison officer and a strapping kibbutz girl, Gila. with a strong (and, as it



decide to throw them out.

boys, one

Kember keeps up an ingenious flow of comic traffic, showing Mike breaking through Gila's belligerent defences with a well-placed gag, and the nurse fainting dead away at the sight of blood. Meanwhile, the kibhutz ethic is gradually unfolding, and sharpening up the contrast between Israeli direct enthusiasm and British

the way, the action moves on

evasive apathy.

That comes to a head in the second act, where the chore of appearing in the camp show stirs the working-class

It is quite logical, but Mr Kember's invention flags as

"Not Quite Jerusalem": David Threlfall, Leslee Udwin on the other Brits that you at the age of 16 to the of immortality. If the entire are much more aware of moment of his death by story were told in that botel them as two yobs and a spinster hysteric than as the life from studio, in the space between victims of

impoverishing backgrounds. There remains some excellent comic acting in Les Waters's production, particularly from Kevin McNally as Harlow's own laughing boy and Leslee Udwin as the seductively pugnacious trac-

Love in Vain

Tricycle Bob Mason may be too new to playwriting to recognize the chances he missed. In retelling the story of Robert Johnson he pushes straight through the chronology from

the time the boy ran away

whoring, and that she kills him in a recording session at the urging of his entire home Though the death is the

Though the death is the inevitable end, and will be known to admirers of Johnson's music and anyone who bothers to read the programme notes, it is not actually a climactic event. There is one fine gimmick in the ending, which inaccurately has Johnson recording his last songs after being told by Betty Mae that she has poisoned him. Julian Littman, who is a physically pale but musically strong copy of Johnson are the real life blood, and Johnson's spirit only stirs in the music. from a Mississippi plantation son, until he has made sure

He invents the life from studio, in the space between Johnson's blues songs; supposing that Betty Mae was the childhood sweetheart whom he left behind to a savage husband and casual when no songs are being the play is diffuse. The

sung, the play is diffuse. The comedy is usually made through negro dialect rather certainly unintentional effect

Ned Chaillet

Орега A nasty lot, nicely portrayed

Agrippina

Sadler's Wells Winton Dean has categorized "antiheroic operas". Of the eight characters only one, Otho, is at all admirable: of London taste. the others, Grimani's text and Handel's music either make mockery or paint in unflattering colours—reaso-nably, since they include the Roman emperor Claudius, his

Kent Opera's production,

to be seen in London this

week (the remaining per-

formance is tomorrow), is a joint effort by Christopher

Eruce and Norman Platt, who

do not scruple to expose the absurdity of Claudius's pos-

turing self-glorification and stripling Nero is almost a the simpering, sulky maligable collector's piece. She had nity and sexual thirst of trouble on Monday with her Nero—and indeed to mock the nature of da capo aria "Coll' ardor del tuo bel form itself, which Handel in core", chiefly because she his Italian apprentice years was set so precipitous a pace was not yet ready to shorten by the young conductor Ivan and vary, as he did for Fischer, who raises eyebrows

Stanley Sadie reviewed the how to make a "baroque" production when it was first orchestra sound well. shown. It only remains for me to praise again the lovely, stylish settings by Roger Butlin, to connive at David wife Agrippina, her son Nero
Thomas's clownish caricaand his subsequent wife ture of Claudius—if chiefly ture of Claudius-if chiefly because he clowns as ex-pertly as he sings the part and to express admiration for Felicity Palmer's powerful, eloquent portrayal of the title role, a horrible creature, absolutely serious and marvellous to listen to.

Cynthia Buchan's nasty

with his special orchestral effects, but certainly knows

Paul Esswood has the ungrateful task of playing the only good guy in a wicked world, as boring as Sir Galahad in Arthurian legend: Esswood looks suitably robust, and sings his most like the state of the state music with real nobility.
Otho is the lucky man who
finally gets Meryl Drower's
luscious sweetmeat Poppaea. She is another good reason for seeing and hearing Handel's Agrippina.

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Pal's paradox: the reformers do want martial law to stay

by Roger Boyes

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ers can go to the opera without ment. If the official b be believed, martial and its first main goal: berder', crush Solidari-

the winter has been the hen the spring (for that is erplan) must belong to the is nowhere to be seen: it is a dissonant and shrill, calling

Tomorrow the Communist Party, flias the Polish United Workers Party, tries to establish that it is business as usual in Poland and that it is back in centre stage. The second plenary meeting of the party's central committee has banished controversial subjects from the agenda and will focus on the economy. All wings of the party are agreed that the economy is in a mess; most of the party agrees there should be some form of limited decentralization; many feel that the hardships inflicted on ordinary Poles by the latest food price rises should be tempered slightly (though with much fanfare).

with much fanfare). Four months ago, after the declaration of martial law, it was possible for Poland to go one of two routes: that of Mr Janos Kadar, the Hungarian leader, whose economic reforms have bought a degree of consumer satisfaction, or the way of Mr Gustav Husak, the Czechoslovak leader, who has concentrated on "normalization", weeding out those dissatisfied with the system. But the fighting in the party has led to a blurring of the two options and, more by default than anything

its, and create the calm dialogue, and still the of the military, though r stainless, is intact.

and occasionally some application of the stick. They (the hardliners) believe in stick, stick and giving out the occasional carrot when they're short of breath".
In fact, nobody in Poland much believes in carrots any more, ensuring that a Kadarist solution

clse, a patchwork compromise is emerging that has left the party rank and file utterly bewildered.

This is known as the Polish

"All politics is carrot and stick,"

says a reformist member of the party's idelogical commission. "We

believe in a regular diet of carrots

solution.

- encouraging people to work and produce more because there are desirable things to buy - cannot May Day slogans, to be drawn up

at the plenum, will urge Poles to work more for Poland. Most factories, however, are at a stand-still not because of go-slows but because of the chronic shortage of raw materials, itself a result of mismanagement.

The price increases mean that goods are inaccessible and that there is no link between producing more and being better off. The result is a type of industrial agnosticism that will be cured only when people start believing in the competence of government to solve problems. That, in turn, can be achieved only through dialogue between leaders and led, a restoration of trust in the party.

That, at any rate, is the view of the reformists in the Communist Party, supported in stronger lan-guage by the Catholic Church and even by moderate elements in the underground. The hardliners, the dogmatic ideologists, believe by contrast that motivation is a matter of discipline. Dialogue with anti-socialist forces—Solidarity, say —leads only to concessions and slippery paths.

This then is the Polish paradox: it is the reformists, those who want to see a new, improved Communist

Party responsive to the people and the Church, who want martial law to stay in place. Those who privately deplore the internment of thousands of dissidents are actually the most zealous supporters of military

There are two reasons for this. In the first place, dialogue needs time for results to show, it needs a basic minimum of social order. The reformists argue for a two-tier front of national understanding that would group the PUWP with its two more or less loyal satellite parties, the Peasants Party and the Demo-cratic Party, and even the lay Catholic Pax party.

This would create the impression that communist rule is not being imposed on Poland but rather emerges out of a consensus. Feeding into the upper tier would be the "social forces" — trade unions, the youth movement and so on. They would not have, as Solidarity once laid claim to, equal say in running the economy but would be consulted. To buy negotiating time to achieve this "power-sharing" arrangement, argue the reformists, the Solidarity leadership has to be kept under lock and key for a while

The second reason for continuing martial law is the uncertainty surrounding Soviet policy, "Brezhnev could die in two months, two days, two years," says a leading party jounalist. "We would be fools to lift martial law before the leadership question is resolved."

There is a certain logic to this line of thought. If martial law is lifted now and open fighting breaks out, the Soviet Union will obviously be worried. If, in addition, Mr Brezhnev dies and a hardline leadership slips into place even for an interregnum, the whole point of martial law — to put the Polish house in order before Soviet troops did so — would have been negated.

The Polish hard line Marxists give this line of thought little time. With

firm party control, they say, the Soviet Union will allow Poland to seek its own destiny. The solution then is to base the party on a firmer ideological basis, strengthen links with the Soviet Union and phase out martial law. Thus the army, far from being the dominant force in Polish politics, has become some-thing of a political football, dribbled rather than kicked between the party factions.

General Jaruzelski's real power rests with his control of the economy — through his office as Prime Minister — rather than his control of the army (as Defence Minister and head of the Military Council). But he can and does effectively use his multiplicity of functions to bolster the case of the reform-minded in the Communist Party at a time when the hardliners Party at a time when the hardliners seem to be scoring points.

The recent banning of the journalists'old union, the sacking of a liberal reformer as Rector of Warsaw University — these seem on the face of it to show that the hardened core of dogmatists in the hardened core of dogmatists in the party are gathering strength. But this may be viewing the situation from the wrong end of the telescope: had it not been for the party reformers and in at least one instance the personal intervention of General Jaruzelski, the hardliners would have got away with much more. Some had called for the sacking of 40 per cent of the nation's journalists. These demands have been watered down after skirmishes with the reformists.

But during all this infighting, the essential issue — Poland's destiny — is at best neglected, at worst exploited for personal advantage. General Jaruzelski is manifestly a patriot who employed the military for patriotic mannesses that make the same that for patriotic purposes: that much he must be credited for. But over the last four months, the source of his power — military support for the rebuilding of trust in Communist Party government - has become a



Crowds line the way for Queen Victoria's visit to Epping Forest in 1882.

Reproduced from The Graphic of that year.

The long march of the footpath revolutionaries

To grant such rights, the freedom to roam places introduce a Bill dubbed the Walkers' Charter into the House of Commons. It is the first shot in what will have to be a long campaign to improve the rights of those for fresh legislation. The land And to live first shot in what will in the limit of the legislation of the legislation. ordinarily apt year to see Britain. Woods and wilder-

One hundred years ago, on May 6, 1882, Queen Victoria declared Epping Forest open for "the use and enjoyment of my people for all time". This reassertion of a right long eroded by landowners was made only after a long and occasionally deliberately illegal struggle by locals, backed by the wealthy cam-paigners of what was soon to become The Commons, Open Spaces and Footpaths Preser-

vation Society (COSFPS), Fifty years ago this Satur-day, April 24, 1932, several hundred ramblers, inspired and led by young socialists, organized a mass trespess on Kinder Scout, in the Peak District. Until 1836 Kinder had been "King's Land", and was prized and unchallenged walking country until it fell to private ownership and

This Saturday will see Bernard Rothman, a leader of the trespass, at the head of a celebratory re-enactment. Not all those Sheffield and Manchester walkers became the mass trespassers in the movement for access, but the case of Kinder), and a growing realization that it is movement for access, but the case of Kinder), and a growing realization that it is movement for access, but the case of Kinder), and a growing realization that it is movement for access, but the case of Kinder), and a growing realization that it is movement for access, but the case of Kinder), and a growing realization that it is movement for access, but the case of Kinder), and a growing realization that it is movement for access, but the case of Kinder), and a growing realization that it is movement for access, but the case of Kinder). account of the aspirations which led the Ramblers' Association and others to

walkers' rights. It came in the form of the National Parks and Access to Countryside Act 1949, which has proved finer in rhetoric than action. The National Parks have been constantly eroded and access to the countryside is very patchy, even to wilderness areas where only sheep graze and grouse lurk.

The proposals by Andrew Bennett — he is Labour MP for Stockport North — are modest enough: among them that local authorities should be under more urgent requirement to keep open what paths there are, and be more vigorous in invoking the powers that already exist to create new ones; and that wilderness land should be open to walkers. The Charter notes the two quite separate notorious Wildlife needs of walkers; for rights Countryside Act 1981.

of way on land where it would be impractical for them to roam freely, and for

who want to walk in the country. There have been many radical access Bills in the past — and all have failed. But this is an extra-failed but the failed but the fail Britain. Woods and wilder-nesses were places of fear, fields with public rights of not recreation. way across them. not recreation

The industrial revolution changed all that, and it radically altered the politics of the countryside. Wordsworth, an occasional trespasser, told an irate landowner who remonstrated with him: "I broke your wall down, Sir John. It was obstructing an ancient right obstructing an ancient right of way, and I will do it again: I am a Tory, but scratch me on the back deep enough and you will find the Whig in me

And it was Canon Hard-wicke Rawnsley, doughty fighter against bad white bread and slate quarry rail-ways in the Lakes — and a Ruskinite who became chap-lain to King Edward VII— who led the Keswick and District Footpaths Associ-ation in several barrier-bashing forays on footpaths which had been blocked by farmers. Two thousand people walked a disputed road on Laurge in 1886, under Canon Rawnsley's banner. They won access eventually (as did

Our own age adds to some of the old problems and adds several of its own. Andrew Bennett says that worst, perhaps, is the virtual banishment of walkers from the roads and lanes by their worst enemy, the car. And farmers turn thousands of acres of meadowland (on which one can walk) into barley prairie (on which one cannot). Survey after survey show that footpaths are seldom way marked, which local authorities are statutorily obliged to ensure, and that farmers routinely plough or obstruct footpaths, which they have a statutory obligation not to do.

Legal moves are now afoot by Corpus Christi College, Oxford, and others to undo some of the protection re-cently accorded the com-mons, and some landowners are said to be exploring a loophole in footpath protection opened up by the notorious Wildlife and

There remain scores of square miles even in the Peak District: National Park where people can be, and often are, accessible, challenged by keepers; as they quite harmlessly seek.

Against all this, 20 per cent of the population take what could be called serious walks in the country. "This is the make or break decade", says David Clark, chairman of COSFPS, who introduced his own unsuccessful access Bill in February. There is all the evidence in the world of people's desire to walk for recreation, and plenty of high-level Civil Service and Royal Commission evidence. Royal Commission evidence that walkers do precious little damage.

But the opposition is hugely powerful: the farming and landowning lobby will at the very least claim expensive compensation in exchange for access, in spite of the ethical dubiousness of the private Bills by which their forefathers first got rid of it.

The Commons, Open Spaces and Footpaths Preservation Society is relaunching itself quaint name will be a pity (its and myths surrounding pub-lic rights in the country which most bedevil them. The amenity groups are looking for a new law, and for proper political aware-

ness of the issues. Towards this end, the Council for the Protection of Rural England is testing the candidates in the forth-coming Oxfordshire district council elections (polling day, May 6) on their attitudes to the proposal that there should be renewed access into the 2,000 acres of Wychwood Forest, which has been effectively closed over recent years in spite of a long tradition of footpath

usage there. The election day marks the exact centenary of Queen Victoria's declaration of people's freedom to use Epping Forest. It might yet make a marvellous cele-bration by notching up some access strangements for Oxfordshire's walkers by which only 111 of the which only 111 of the country's 27,000 acres of woodland are currently

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Can BR get the union elephant off the line?

his report on flexible rosterwill again "fudge the issue". He is, in their view, a compulsive fudger of any issue put before him. They believe he will show this by commending more flexible

damaging January strikes; unhappy about public disrup-and the Board with an even tion is entirely happy with a more difficult and painful choice. Should it swallow hard and go along with a McCarthy policy of gradualism, accept. union. ing that, after years of sweet But a conciliation, Sir Peter Parker



Lord McCarthy: any

Lord McCarthy finalizes precipitate further industrial action, condemning the ing, to be presented later this country to more disruption month, there is weary resignand inconvenience, and nation at British Rail that he British Rail to more damage

BR's annual staff costs. working for drivers without requiring it of them. That argued, is to play into the will leave the dispute exactly hands of a government hostile to rail which, while

advance on January?

it can ill afford. And for what, it may be asked? An immediate saving of perhaps service improved immeasur115m a year, or I per cent of ably in the process.

public demonstration of the incompetence of a public cost to the traveller's credit-sector industry and the card account. selfish bigotry of a trade While serving the

attraction to the Board, inadvertently picked the starting perhaps with the wrong ground when he virility factor. No one watch-finally decided on confron-ing the adversaries on teleing the adversaries on tele- make a better job of optimiz-vision can fail to spot the ing the three-fold resources Or should it, as the hard high emotional charge that of rolling stock, train crews men of the board believe, put now runs through this dis- and track capacity than can

'British Rail has a vision . . . in which tasks will be done by computers and associated techniques'

has so zealously nurtured, will collapse entirely, and future executives the industry needs will start to look elsewhere.

There is also the hardly less potent light-at-end-of-the-tunnel factor. British Rail has a vision of the future which must be largely realized if it believes there is to be a future. It is of the cybernetic railway of the 1990s in which tasks now performed laboriously and inefficiently by people will be done by computers and associated techniques.

The market for travel is expected to expand by up to 50 per cent because of lower retirement age, more students and more leisure will fall, and with it the case for continuing to support BR, unless the cost and price of rail travel is brought

For example, it should be possible by 1995 to look up a To take that road, it is train by pressing a button on rgued, is to play into the a cable television set.

A further flick of the switch will book a seat on the chosen train, arrange for the ticket to be collected or delivered, and charge the

While serving the customer, the computer will simultaneously plan train movements, and actually control them on the track. A computer can in theory

main brake. To BR's hawks, the Asief drivers' dispute is seen in that light. Flexible rostering is important not so much in itself but as one of a succession of steps to a more automated railway. The light will be reached only by going through the tunnel.

To take one example, train drivers work from depots, each of which has a defined territory, based on prewar distance factors or even the old private railway companies, beyond which a train cannot proceed without a change of crew .

Birmingham has two main-Saltley serving the Bristol-Sheffield line; and one at New Street for the Euston-Preston line. They are not interchangeable, and even on their own line there are limits: a Bristol man will not go north of Derby, for example. Such practices are not compatible with a computerized railway.

suggest that Aslef members are the sole culprits. Many freight trains that really need a crew of only one — the of the tunnel. They will have driver — have a superfluous second person, (Aslef) as step by step, as McCarthy is driver — have a superfluous second person, (Asief) as well as a superfluous third (NUR) in the rear-facing cab of the same locomotive. The NUR has so far refused to sacrifice these erstwhile guards on the altar of change.

The automated railway of the 1990s could have a labour force half or less that of today's 170,000; and were it the boot in, by imposing on pute. Fear of losing face by an army of clerks.

drivers a change they have giving in has become a major. The railway, with its believes it could manage the failed to negotiate? That factor if the Board caves in guided track and teleconchange to a new system quite would almost certainly now, it is said that manage-trols, has long been seen as a well. More than half the train not for union resistance, BR

ment morale which Sir Peter prime area for the substi-has so zealously nurtured, tution of man by machine, a have over 30 years' service, will collapse entirely, and process on which human Attractive retirement terms future executives the indus-resistance to change is the are available to such men as they approach the age of 60, and many, it is thought, would willingly take them if the choice were theirs alone. But as indicated earlier, individual welfare is not the only factor: group virility and survival are much to the

> Meanwhile, those favour-ing a soft line argue that though the strategy of change is right, the tactics on this occasion have been wrong. Many have been shaken by the apparent determination of middle-aged moderates in Aslef, not young hotheads or dedicated lefties, to win this fight, thus revesing unsuspected swamp in the battlefield that looked good to the Board generals when they scanned it with their binoculars and

The argument that "we have to win this or we might as well throw in the towel" is rejected on the ground that there is no domino effect:
Aslef and the others have a
defence in depth of serried ranks of restrictive practices beyond inflexible rostering, and between BR and the end

likely to suggest. Readers of the Rev Wilbert Awdry's children's books on trains will recall the tale of the tunnel blocked by an elephant. Can an elephant like Aslef be shunted out, or does it have to be coaxed?

That is a question that is likely to face not only the BR

Michael Baily Transport Correspondent | do no harm.

... not a sip

Board but the country very

poisonous, and they are now omitted. Moreover, the proof — hitherto a high 84 degrees — is

about to be reduced in an effort

to keep down the price, as well as the meal.

They said anything could happen.
Michael McNair-Wilson, Conservative MP for Newbury,
thought he was being very
diplomatic when he laid in a

the right to roam on land where it is manifest they will

opium addict most of his life is.

Basil's forte well known. He first took the drug while suffering an internal disorder. It became a habit which Basil Fawlty has won the Queen's award for export achievement. John Cleese, his creator, is naturally delighted. Video Arts, lasted 45 years ... Wilberforce was in good company. Apart from Thomas de. the company which makes train-ing films and which distributes two episodes of Faulty Towers as Quincey, other nineteenth cen-tury figures who used the drug, which Baudelaire called his vieille et terrible ame, included Cole-ridge, Wilkie Collins, Edgar Allan Poe and possibly Keats. such, subsidized Cleese's income

while he was preparing the television series. There are now almost 50 films, used by 18,000 companies in Britain, including 90 of the top 100, and in 24 countries around the world. Cleese says that at last he feels he has done something useful, but Fawlty says that training is a serious matter, and he is not surprised that Video Arts' frivolous attitude appeals to foreigners.

The Birmingham Chamber of Industry and Commerce has cancelled a trade visit to Argenting this October because of the Falklands invasion. They will go instead to Chile.

Holy Muppet

diplomatic when he laid in a bottle of Smirnoff vodka to entertain Nicolai Ouspensky, First Secretary at the Soviet Embassy, who had agreed to address a meeting on disarmament in his constituency.

Alas, the Russian refused point blank to drink it. "That is not vodka", he said. "It does not taste of anything. That is a drink for Americans". That the Queen's press secretary, Michael Shea, really referred to Her Majesty as "Miss Piggyface" I cannot imagine, but I venture to suggest it would not be too terrible if he had. My illustration suggests the world's most beautiful Muppet may have been a Hindu goddess in a previous incarnation. It comes from the catalogue of the Hayward Gallery exhibition In the Image of Man, which identi- fies the Miss Piggy look-alike as Varahi, the female escort of Varaha, boar incarnation of Vishnu.

Hamlet's ghost?

Anthony Andrews lately of Brideshead Revisited, tells me the Algonquin Hotel in New York has found a successor to Hamlet, its white and marmalade cat who died of kidney failure after 12 years' service and sociability.

recruited a cat of uncannily similar appearance who has duly been christened Hamlet II.

Why there is so little action at Acton

The London evening paper, The Standard, scored a coup last year when a reporter and photographer paid a nocturnal visit to London Transport's Acton work-shops and found them full of sleepers — employees who were supposed to be working the night shift. It now appears that the revelation might more properly have been a cause for LTE pride than scandal.

In a paper delivered at the Institution of Mechanical Engin-cers' headquarters on Monday night, Gordon Hafter of London Transport revealed that there is precious little work for Acton to do. Barring accidents, London's tube trains return there only three times in their lifespan, at

nine-year intervals. The minimal work is all that is needed because the carriages now have their entire structure, other than interior trim, made of aluminium alloy. No noticeable corrosion has taken place, even in London's atmosphere, on any stock built since 1949, except some built between 1959 and 1962 whose floor plates were made of mild steel. Those had to be replaced at the half-life overhaul.

Now a team of advisers from Double decker London Transport have won a contract worth almost £11/2m to help modernize the New York City Transit System, its overhaul sandwich of the year competition shops and depots. Within a few yesterday. Elizabeth Walker, a years, I expect, the American workers will be able to take it casy too.

THE TIMES DIARY



I am glad to report that Kenneth Colley will complete his television role as our national sea hero in Central

Television's I Remember Nelson without suffering anything so unsightly as the loss of an eye. The series of plays (the second is shown tonight) are all set in the last few years of Nelson's life, but there is no glimpse of his eye

patch, or visible suggestion of his blindness. Hugh Whitemore, who wrote the plays, claims historical accuracy is on his side. Nelson lost the sight of his right eye, but not the eye itself, in Corsica in 1794. He did not usually wear a patch indoors, and though he did wear it on deck during battles, it is assumed it was taken off when he was injured at Trajalgar and carried

below decks to die.

Baker's roll call

Even now they have not taken all the poetry out of politics. Tonight there will be a gathering of ministers at Victoria station. No, not an evacuation, but a book launch for London Lines, an anthology of poetry about the capital edited by Kenneth Baker, our very cultivated Minister of Industry and Information Tech-

Several of the poets Baker has chosen for inclusion have agreed to attend, and the affair will cross party lines since they included Lady Wilson and Roger Woddis, the satirical versifier of the New Statesman.

An arctophile, a lover of bears, triumphed in the finals of the restaurant manageress at ICL's Wilton plant on Merseyside, carried off both first prizes

against stiff (though fortunately not literally so) competition at the Flour Advisory Bureau. Elizabeth, who owns six teddy bears, one of which she was

clutching for luck, won £1,600. Her Cleveland Smokey, a heady mixture of smoked barn, red and green apples and mango chutney butter on wheatmeal bread, swept the board in the hand-held sandwich class; her Chicken Merlin, crumbled bacon, diced chicken and avocado pear bound in natural yeghurt and fresh cream flavoured with coriander and tabasco on brown bread, took the honours in the knife and fork

What she could do with some sliced grizzly I hesitate to imagine, but bear's paw is a well-established oriental delicacy.

One swallow Dolamore, the independent wine merchants by appointment to the Queen, are to be distributors for the world's smallest hot water original brew were actually



bottles - which is how the digestive nips called Underberg

Underberg's two centilitre botties are supposed to be drained at a gulp for best restorative effect after a good meal. Some rate them as a hangover cure too, and Germans, who are renowned for gross appetites, swallow a million

The red-stoppered bottles, wrapped in brown paper, bear the legend Semper idem, but legend I fear it is. Since Hubet Underberg founded the firm with a secret family recipe in 1846 it has been found that some of the herbs from 43 countries included in the

Bank after bank in the United States is urging its customers to put your money in the IRA. The mitials, I am relieved to say. stand for Individual Retirement

for Americans".

Account.

Opium's slave Colin Davison, of Bransholme, near Hull, has discovered letters written by William Wilberforce, the anti-slavery campaigner. which are said to reveal that he enjoyed opium. A Sotheby's expert says: "They could be extremely valuable."

Yet as Alethea Hayter, the author of Opium and the Romantic Imagination, confirms, the fact that Wilberforce was an

The hotel, much favoured by literary and theatrical men, has



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FIRST PRINCIPLES FIRST

occurred to Argentina. The crisis of the Falkland Islands thas been provoked by their decision to invade, not by the 150 year-old history of disputed claims between Britain and Argentina over the sovereignty of those islands. There may have been occasions during that time — though certainly not recently — when Britain has refused to discuss the dispute or negotiate aspects of it. However, there have also been occasions, notably in 1948, when Britain offered to join with Argentina in a referral to the International Court at the Hague. Argentine refused; an act which was hardly consistent with its oft-proclaimed view of the soundness of its claim

to sovereignty.
Inevitably, in negotiations,
the desire to reach agreement threatens both sides' desire to secure objectives. When we have a period of negotiations. interrupted by an aggression, the only sound principle to apply is to restore the situotion to that which obtained before the aggression. Failure to do so would only encourage every negotiator to seek to advance his cause by recourse to aggressive tactics whenever the pace of negotiations - frustrated him. Yet the peaceful resolution of all disputes lies at the very heart of contemporary international

The British Government is wise therefore to avoid being hustled into accepting any formula offered by Argentina through Mr Haig simply because the world community would prefer the disputants to: reach any udged agreement sooner rather than a clearer one later. The world comna: if the world community, must come, perforce, to remember it.

Mr Haig's return to felt he had extracted all possible concessions from President Galtieri's Junta. It was right that he did not fly back to London with the Argentine proposals. That would seem to have implied that there was something which he felt he could endorse to the British Government and such an implication would have put undeserved pressure on British ministers Haig has not endorsed the Argentine proposals; and Mr Pym's forthcoming visit to Washington is rightly conceived as a British desire to continue negotiating while the fleet, which may have to than Mr Haig has been able to way on these fundamental ciples.

fien begin with blows, but squeeze, continues its passage when reverses come upon south. Nelson described a them they have recourse to fleet of British ships of war as words", said the Athenians the best negotiators in long before such a device Europe: that may now have to apply even more so to the South Atlantic.

The original ingredients of this crisis are thus still with us and virtually unchanged since the day of the first aggression. First, there is the law, both in regard to sove-reignty and to the resolution of disputes between states. It is not necessary to go into copious legal detail to establish that Britain's title to sovereignty over the Falkland Islands was absolutely lawful at the time it was originally established and whatever new circumstances now apply
that is still the legal basis on which sovereignty is assessed. Moreover, the claim by Argentina to extend its continental shelf to include the Falkland Islands is not only legally questionable as regards the shelf, but, even if valid, would not affect the issue of sovereignty of the land above the shelf. The Falklands belong to Britain.

Legally speaking the in-vasion was also in breach of all current international laws: It was in breach of the UN Charter to refrain from the use of force against a country's territorial integrity and it was also in breach of the general obligation to pursue disputes through peaceful means. Finally, in law, Britain is fully covered under Article 51 to take action against aggression consistent with its inherent right of self defence though such action must be limited and proportionate. Nothing yet planned or suggested - task force, exclusion zone, or even reoccu-pation — exceeds that right.

The next aspect of the crisis concerns the people of munity is only a community the Falklands. There is again because it has come to respect an undeniable legal right certain laws and conventions recognized by the inter-— certain modes of behaviour national community to enable between states — which it has peoples to have self determias much interest in respecting nation, either by indepen-and preserving as Britain has, dence, or through associate and preserving as Britain has, dence, or through associate Those laws, that convention, status, or by integration with have been flouted by Argenti- other countries; but all by status, or by integration with consent. The Falklanders are in the interests of a quiet life, undeniably a "people" in this or under the particular sense; and such a people is influence of regional or post-colonial prejudices which through its elected leadership. have no relevance to this So the Argentine invasion is general principle, neverthe-less wants to forget the the UN Charter, concerning principle, Britain must not the right of all peoples to selfforget it herself; and Argentina determination. In the interests of preserving respect for international law, therefore, enshrined in the UN Charter Washington indicated that he and amplified by the recent felt he had extracted all Security Council resolution, nothing can or should now be agreed to which compromises those legal principles.

The third dimension of the crisis is the position of the two Governments at odds with each other. We have to respect the fact that, though illegal, the Argentine invasion represents perhaps the only popular event in recent Argentine history. The uncerto appear cooperative. Mr tainties and tensions within the Junta, and perhaps an underlying sense of Spanish machismo appalled at the prospect of losing a contest of wills with a woman, are not unimportant psychological factors when assessing the squeeze more out of Argentina capacity of Argentina to give

principles. But one should not be too bemused or seduced by such an argument. Argentina has shown in its dispute with Chile that it resolutely disregards the verdicts of me-

diators when they go against it. Several times Argentina and Chile have taken their dispute about the Beagle Channel to a mediator and when each time the verdict has gone to Chile, Argentine has revoked its agreement to abide by the verdict. The precedents therefore are discouraging.

Of course, there is much to negotiate about after these principles have been vindi-cated. There can be some room for an Argentine pres-ence on the Faiklands during the period when the wishes of the Islanders are being determined — though only under the most stringent conditions. There can also be a greater readiness on the part of the British Government to recognise that the issue of sovereignty is in dispute, emotion-ally, if not legally, and has to be resolved sometime soon. Perhaps Britain should suggest to Argentina that it is now taken to the Hague, where it belongs more than in the operations rooms of op-

It is held that overemphasis

posing navies.

on the interests of the Islanders artificially narrows the issue and excludes a wider interest which should concern Britain's relationships with the whole continent of Latin America. But there are two sides to this argument. The frontiers of Latin America are not hermetically sealed with the authority of history. Disputes abound, which might find a new stimulus in the spectacle of Argentina successfully achieving an exten-sion to her frontiers, and the upholding of a spurious claim, simply by force of arms. Belize is under threat; so is Guyana; Peru and Bolivia both contain strong revanchist claims on Chile, as does Argentina itself in the Beagle Channel. Moreover the arguments which Argentina maintains to uphold its claim to the Falklands might entitle Mexico some time in the future to advance the same kind of theories for reclaiming much of the Pacific southwest from the United States. Mr Haig — or more particularly Mrs Kirkpatrick — might brood seriously on that implication.

ests in Latin America will be damaged by a refusal to compromise on this dispute without letting the situation deteriorate further, perhaps even to the point where a serious political crisis is provoked in Argentina. That damage to Britain will have to be weighed up against an even wider interest in the world, to uphold international law, and to be seen to be a country which has the will and capacity to honour its word not only in legal matters but in the much more crucial area of the defence of its people. "Britain has no eternal allies; and no eternal enemies. Only our interests are eternal," said Lord Palmerston. Our interests here require us to resolve this dispute peacefully if possible, but only in accordance with first prin-

THE TEMPTATION OF CHEAP PROMISES

The further away a party as a result of the Govern-feels itself to be from political ment's other mismanagepower, the sillier the promises it will make in order to win it. As the local elections approach, the Labour Party is again flirting with the temptation to make exactly the same mistake if it gains national power as it made last time it did so, in 1974. The National Executive has not yet given its blessing to the proposal, publicly launched this week, for a year's freeze on council rents, but the pressures within the party to do so are strong.

In normal circumstances Labour would now be looking forward to dramatic gains in local elections fought against an unpopular government, for seats last contested at a moment when Labour itself. was at a low point of popularity. But the decline in trust for Labour, and the rise of the Alliance, may have changed all that. Gains may well be modest. An eye-catching face. selling-point is needed, and a from recent rent rises.

pened after 1974. Whether ises and haywire theories. ment's other mismanage-ments. It was judged to be politically impossible to make up the lost ground, and by the time Labour lost office average rents had fallen to no more than 6.3 per cent of average earnings — far below the level required even to cover housing management and maintenance costs.

The new administration came to power determined to reverse this trend decisively: after successive increases, average rents have risen this month to a level twice as high, in cash terms, as that of 1979. Mr Gerald Kaufman, chief Opposition spokesman on housing, claimed in December that this would bring them up to nine per cent of average earnings. The increase is certainly a stiff one over a short pariod report over a short period, representing a larger rise in housing costs than families in other tenures have had to

But it is striking that there rents freeze may win some has been no strong movement votes from tenants smarting of protest against the increa-But some leaders in the Mr Peter Tatchell has been arry remember what has party remember what hap- busily promoting the idea of a rent strike. Undoubtedly this they prevail or not will is because of the energetic provide a clue to the current steps taken to improve probalance of power inside the vision for tenants who find it party between Her Majesty's hard to pay. A quarter of all alternative Government and tenants will have had this the vendors of undated prom- month's increase wholly met by supplementary benefit, average council rents were 7.9 rebates meeting 60 per cent of per cent of average earnings. it. Maximum rebates have for his investment will stream The year's freeze ended at been trebled, and eligibility

should not be charity housing for the poor. A quarter of tenant households today have an income of £8,000 or more. Subsidy aimed effectively at those who need it is the way to ensure that the sector does not sink further towards charitable status.

Responsible Labour leaders know that. All the time the party was courting popularity in the seventies by shirking necessary increases, its offi-cial policy was that "over a period of years rents should keep broadly in line with changes in money incomes". The consequences of failure to live up to that principle were soon apparent. As real rents fell, central subsidy to housing had to rise — by almost a fifth in real terms. The more subsidy the revenue account swallowed up, the less was available for capital spending.

As early as 1975 housing starts began to fall; by 1979 the headlong decline was in full spate. Wider public spending cuts continued until last year in spite of rising rents, but at the end of last year starts were 16 per cent up on a year earlier. Mr Peter Shore means, if he becomes Chancellor, to revive the economy with public works, especially in housing. If he does not head off the people in his party who can see no further than May, he will find, if he gets his chance, that the resources he needs away into subsidies for the about the same time as widened. That is the right tenants who do not need inflation began to gather pace approach. Council housing them.

Keeping vehicles off pavements

From Mr Graham Chainey Sir, A recently published Govern-ment report tells us (report, April 16) that our pavements and footways are deteriorating, that millions of pounds in compen-sation is paid annually to pedestrians who have fallen and sustained injuries as a result, and that much of the blame for the situation attaches to vehicles which mount the pavement.
The average walker in most

British urban areas does not need British urban areas does not need a 100-page report to know this. The encroachment of cars, lor-ries and motor cycles on to the pavement is a rapidly spreading offence. With streets increasingly congested and parking space increasingly hard to find, motorists now look upon pavements as an apportune extension of their domain, regardless of the rights of pedestrians or of the fact that of pedestrians or of the fact that driving on the pavement contra-venes the Highway Act of 1835 (Section 7 of the Road Traffic Act of 1974, which specifically bans parking on the pavement, though passed by Parliament, has yet to be implemented).

There are many streets in the West End of London, to take only one example, where the walker now often finds his way totally blocked and is obliged to risk his person in the carriageway.

The police often claim to have

more important offences to deal with, but surely it is in the interest of local councils, who have to foot the bill for smashed flagstones and other damage, to try to check this abuse. The solution in many urban areas would seem to be simple: large numbers of strategically placed bollards. Bollards from premotorised times have constituted the pedestrian's traditional pro-tection against wheeled menace; they need not be unsightly, nor expensive: certainly the single expense of their installation would compare favourably with the endless outlay on pavement

Yours faithfully. GRAHAM CHAINEY, 47 St Barnabas Road,

University Principal

From the Vice-Chancellor of the University of London

Sir, It is bad enough to read in The Times (April 20) of an appointment to the Principalship of London University before ever such an appointment has been made. But to read in addition the names of allegedly unsuccessful candidates is still more seriously

disturbing.

April as "the cruellest month" is one characteristic of Eliot's Waste Land too, and I recall that in April, 1981, Lord Scarman had to protest to you in the strongest terms of "the damage" you had great university" and the "embarrassment, even distress, to individuals".

That was in connection with Vice-Chancellorship. This irresponsibility deserves equally vigorous reproof and equally profound apology to the gentlemen named. Yours faithfully,

RANDOLPH QUIRK, University of London, Senute House, Maiet Street, WC1. April 20.

Channel tunnel

From Mr Roger Coombs

Sir, Your leader on the doubtful future of the Channel tunnel (April 14) suggests that British Rail's "mousehole" raises no environmental problems. In the same breath you declare, some-what wistfully, how pleasant it would be to have "car and container trains from Kent to all

parts of Europe".

Not 40, Sir, for the people of
Kent and those who love its byways of orchards and hop
gardens! If the mousehole is to emerge in Kent at the kind of road-rail interchange you hanker after then our rural roads would be ravaged by intolerable traffic funnelled from all parts of the country — an environmental consequence that has been continually discounted by politicians and planners.

Your comment on the Cairn-cross report also surprisingly ignores a crucial difference between the 1974 and 1982 concepts - the abandonment of the high-speed rail link between London and the tunnel. This above all other factors makes the British Rail scheme ineffectual and uncompetitive compared with existing ways of crossing the Channel. Yours faithfully.

ROGER COOMBS, Spindles, Goudhurst, Kent.

April 15.

Chiming in concert

From Professor Sydney A. Urry Sir, Many quartz watches now on the market possess a so-called hourly chime. I am sure that this facility serves a useful purpose but at a recent Barbican concert I found that these timepieces can he distracting during a quiet passage in the music. What will happen if these

devices become universal among audiences? The accuracy of their timekeeping might result in two thousand of them sounding. simultaneously. At a conference on micro-chip technology this might not be mappropriate but in the theatre it could only lend weight to Othello's cry, "Silence that dreadful bello". Yours faithfully, SYDNEY A. URRY, 12 Whitfield Road, Hughenden Valley, High Wycombe, Buckinghamshire.

British principles in Falklands context

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

From Land Jenkins of Putney

Sir, The talk of principles in connection with the Falklands dispute, whether in Parliament or dispute, whether in Fatuament of in your columns, is singularly unconvincing. The country of Suez, Cyprus, Diego Garcia and the British Nationality Act cannot effectively disguise its current bout of post-imperial jingo-ism as a world crusade against aggression. Only yesterday we were pocketing the dictator's pesos in exchange for the military means of his attack, and even now our bankers are once again taking the view that it may be unpatrious but it makes sense not to be too financially tough on

the aggressor.

I am no more a supporter of President Reagan than of Mrs Thatcher, but Lord Bethell's argument (April 16) that by working to secure a peaceful solution of the Falklands crissthe United States is compromis-ing Nato's doubtful devotion to democracy is outrageous. To say the least of it, it is a very ungracious response to Mr Haig's untiring efforts to get us out of this mess.

If we are so concerned to teach

aggressors a lesson why did we find the Turkish invasion of Cyprus, where we had forces on the spot, so acceptable that Turkey is still in democratic Nato? Is their junta so much better than the Argentinian one?
Of course, any American
Government, North or South, is an American Government and must regard our retention of the Falklands as a colonial hangover which we should have shed long ago. It is no use prating about the paramountry of the islanders because the Americans know we can be bribed. For some nuclear weaponry for Polaris on the cheap, we not merely abandoned more of the Queen's subjects than live on the Falklands to their fate; we threw them off Diego Garcia into abject poverty in Mauritius and handed over their depopulated island to the U.S. Forces. The Americans and others also know that only a few weeks ago this principled Govern-ment denied the Falklanders the fully British status they reluc-tantly had to concede to the Gibraltarians.

It is time we came off it and adjusted ourselves to our real status in the world, which is that of the most artistic nation on

Yours faithfully. HUGH JENKINS, House of Lords. April 17.

From Mr Derrick Wyatt

Sir, If the United Kingdom and Argentina are in dispute about the sovereignty of the Falkland Islands, which is a legal dispute if ever there was one, the inter-national Court of Justice would appear to provide a more appro-priate means of settlement than indirect negotiation. lirect negotiation.

Let the Argentinian troops withdraw, and the fleet stay its hand, pending the decision of the April 19.

Christians and war

Sir, For any Christian country to go to war is an affront to its professed faith. For two Chris-tian nations to go to war against each other is a blatant denial of that faith.

teaching and example of our Lord Jesus Christ."

Would the bishops now be would the bishops now be willing to tell the nation that this truth does not apply to the particular conflict in which our nation is now engaged, and that therefore the Gospel should be suspended for the period of the emergency? Or would they be prepared to say that it the name of Christ a Christian solution must be found?

From Mrs Susan M. Lloyd . .

There is, of course, no question of removing such well established words as "mankind" and "countryman" from the Thesaurus. What I have tried to do is make the key words throughout more up to date — "essay" becomes "attempt", for instance — and more general so that they reflect coursely the that they reflect correctly the graph. So, the group of words for country people is now headed "country-dweller" rather than "countryman", but it includes "countryman" and "countrywoman" (In their other senses, of course, these words appear elsewhere: "country dweller" under "inhabitant" and "fellow countryman and woman" under

modern English to make women more explicit in the language, rather than assume that they are "countryman" or "man in the care to insert female or neutral equivalents where these exist: "master or mistress of the

I hope this letter will allay any April 16.

court (this would certainly pro-vide ample time for tempers to cool). If sovereignty were awarded to Argentina, we would repatriate the islanders, and take

any further steps necessary to comply with the court's judgment. If British sovereignty were confirmed we would continue to administer the islands, subject to any agreement to the contrary with Argentina at any time in the future.

I would find it reassuring if our Government confirmed its willingness to countenance such a peaceful and definitive settlement of the Falklands dispute. To do so could hardly diminish our international standing. Yours sincerely.

DERRICK WYATT, St Edmund's Hall, Oxford.

From Mrs Joyce Chaplin Sir, In the scurry to force this country to hand over the Falk-land Islands to Argentina, has the question of what Argentina might do with them been discussed?

Will any hand-over include a provision that the islands will not be converted to military use and serve a power hostile to Nato as a base for military operations in the South Atlantic? Yours faithfully, JOYCE CHAPLIN,

76 Shooters Hill Road, SE3.

From Mr Christopher Taylor Sir, After their advice to athletics about competing in Moscow, and to cricketers playing in South Africa, what are the British Government going to say to footballers who are due to take part with Argentina in the World Cup?

Yours faithfully, CHRISTOPHER TAYLOR. Park Crescent, Cuddington, Northwich, April 18.

From Sir Iain Moncreiffe of that Ilk, QC

Sir, It may be that the only megoriations with Argentina will be very properly limited to the amount of reparations they are to pay the British taxpayer by way of civil damages for expenses incurred by the Royal Navy in retablishing the rule of internetional law.

Otherwise, I hereby call for Scottish volunteers in honour of our Auld Alliance with France to recover the Channel Islands for the French Republic; and trust that we will hand over all North See oil to Norway as soon as they (or Denmark) redeem the Orkneys and Shetlands which we only hold in pawn for a royal dowry, unpaid since 1468 but doubtless redeemable now in paper money instead of gold.

Yours truly, IAIN MONCREIFFE OF THAT

Easter Moncreiffe,

From the Chairman of Anglican Pacifist Fellowship

The bishops of our own national Church, meeting in their Lambeth conferences, have five times declared that "war as a method of settling international disputes is incompatible with the conference of the confere

At the latest Lambath Conference in 1978 they went even further and declared that Jesus "made evident that self-giving love, the way of the Cross, is the way to reconciliation in all relationships and conflicts. Therefore the use of violence is thin at large of the Cross, is the Cospel."

After all, there is a clear precedent for exactly such a

Lost for words

Sir, As editor of the new edition of Roget's Thesaurus, I am disturbed at the misunderstanding which has arisen over so-called "sexist" terms. There is, of course, no ques-

native).

Certainly there is a tendency in included in such terms as I have therefore taken situation", "man or woman in the street", "spokesperson" and so

solution concerning one of the nations involved in the present conflict. At the beginning of this century, when Chile and Argentine were about to go to war against each other, they desisted in the name of Christ. Instead, out of old Argentinian cannon, they erected on the border between the two countries a great bronze statue of Christ. The inscription read, and still reads: These mountains will fall before Argentinians and Chileans break the peace sworn at the feet of Christ the Redeemer".

Acting on such a wonderful precedent, could not the two Christian nations involved in the present dispute make peace with one another in the name of Christ and out of the money they would otherwise have spent in slaughtering one another with expensive and deadly modern weapons build, say, an abbey on the Falkland Islands as a shrine

Following the example set in these islands of the abbey at lona, might not such a shrine become the base for a joint Christian mission of peace to the whole world to lead mankind back from the brink of nuclear disaster? Yours faithfully,

GORDON WILSON, St John's Vicarage, 14 Dane Bank Avenue, Crewe, Cheshire.

fears that this edition of Roget's

Thesaurus does not maintain the established high standard of its predecessors. On the contrary, it ensures that the Thesaurus is still an up-to-date reflection of the language in use today. Yours faithfully, SUSAN M. LLOYD, 41 The Thoroughfare, Harleston,

April 16. -

Grove End,

Diss, Norfolk.

From Mr A. C. Norfolk Sir, I was pleased to see Mr Osmond's admirable letter (April about the alleged sexist bias of the previous editions of Roger's Thesaurus. Having worn out three editions over the past 50 years, I was intending to buy Mrs Lloyd's latest revision of this classic, but have decided instead to renovate/restore/repair/mend

my present tattered copy. Could I suggest that when the next edition is produced and, as I hope, the book reverts to its real function as a reflection of contemporary usage and does not presume to be an arbiter of taste, there is an additional entry in the section on ridicule; "Raise a laugh, make a fool of oneself, be ridiculous, do a Lloyd"? Yours faithfully, A. C. NORFOLK,

Mount Street,

Trust to safeguard countryside

From the Chairman of the Exmoor Society

Sir, The energetic action and heavy expenditure on the inner cities described by Michael Heseltipe in his article (April 14) contrasts with the failure of contrasts with the failure of efforts to protect the country-side. The sterile controversy between farming bodies (letter, April 5) and conservationists shows that neither side has taken account of current financial and political realities.

A new approach to conservation is needed so that essential landscape is protected at minimum cost to public funds. Exmoor provides a good example of the general problem and also an indication of how it may be

A large area of moorland is to be sold in the near future and there is grave concern that it will be developed for more intensive farming. Much of the land is within the region which Lord Porchester recommended should be retained as open moorland for all time.

We are anxious to avoid a long drawn-out argument over a period of years about management agreements and compensation for restrictions on development. It is therefore vital that the and let to farmers subject to convenants that will ensure the continuance of the traditional

The land could be bought by the National Park Authority, but there will be strong local oppo-sition if money obtained by cutting essential services is used for public purchase. The National Trust already own a substantial estate on Exmoor, but they do not have sufficient funds to buy more and are unable to launch a public appeal as they are already raising large sums for other projects.

As an alternative the methods used in the inner cities to combine the efforts of public and private enterprise could be applied in the countryside. A apecial trust could be set up representing the conservation bodies, the Countryside Com-mission and Nature Conservancy Council, the National Heritage
Fund and the National Park
Authority. Such a consortium
could be used to protect the
moorland just as the Groundwork
Trust has been established to deal with urban wastelands as a joint enterprise representing the public, private and voluntary sectors.

In addition, such a trust could well point the way towards a system of protecting the most important rural areas in other parts of the country by making available adequate funds which are so conspicuously lacking at

Yours faithfully, GUY SOMERSET, Chairman. The Exmoor Society, Hoar Oak House, Alcombe, Minehead,

April 16.

Church unity

From the Reverend Anthony Thursfield

Sir, Your assertion in the leader 'A fellow-Christian" (April 10) about "the predominantly Irish character of the Roman Catholic Church in Britain" should be rigorously challenged. As one who has spent over 30 years in parishes in several

English counties (I have served in five, well spread over central and southern England) I well know that there are substantial Roman Catholic communities of auth-entically English lineage, in all among the professional classes and the Armed Forces. The number of RCs in the world of iterature and the arts is, as is

well known, very high.
Some writers in your columns, from exalted places, seem to infer that the Anglican Church has, and always has had, a sort of monopoly of fair play and tolerance, which is under threat from the moves towards Anglican-Roman accord. This I fear is not so. I find that parishioners are surprised when I tell them of the near-300 years of civic disabilities which the English state and Church imposed upon RCs until the Catholic Emanci-RCs until the Catholic Emanci-pation Act of 1829, for only then were they legally allowed to take sevice under the Crown, in municipal office or in Parliament.

Catholic apologists would be entitled to point this out. Perhaps they are too "English" reticent to do so. Are we in the Church of England too uncharitable to admit it? Yours faithfully,

ANTHONY THURSFIELD, Reydon Vicarage, Southwold, Suffolk. April 10.

Chronic disorders

From Mr H. C. Seigal Sir, Mrs Barbara Stalbow complains (April 15) about the pertinacity of sticky labels. Another of the irritations of modern living, and a more serious one, is the impenetrability of plastic wrappers.

Have you, Sir, ever experienced the frustration of trying to puncture the deceptively flimsy covering of a box of chocolates with no other instrument at hand than a blunt fingernail? Have you ever tackled the more serious problem of getting at a slice of supermarket cheese inside its transparent corset? Yours faithfully, H. C. SEIGAL,

17 Park Place Villas, W2.

The Duke of Gloucester, President, British Consultants Bureau, visited Owen Luder Partnership/Young & Hall at 96 St George's Square, London SW1 Lieutenant-Colonel

Bland was in attendance.
The Duchess of Gloucester this €ampbellafternoon opened The Aleck Bourne Maternity Wards and The Winnicott Baby Unit at St Mary's Hospital, Praed Street, London. The Hon Mrs Munro was in Glasgow and

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ss Margaret.

ow Holiday Inn.

Highness, who is aircraft of The

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ST JAMES'S PALACE
April 20: The Duchess of Kent, as
President of the Royal Northern
College of Music, was present
this evening at the BBC Television Young Musician of the
Year Brass Final, which was held
at the College in Manchester.
Her Royal Highness, who
travelled in an aircraft of The
Queen's Flight, was attended by
Mrs Alan Henderson. was attended by ter as Deputy Colonel-the Royal Anglian today received cant-Colonel D. R. Baily command of the Cyolunteer Battalion and construction and constructio

enant-Colonel W. H. Sert on assuming the Intment. The Queen celebrates her birth-day today.

Forthcoming marriages 'Ar N. U. S. Armour and Miss G. E. Fortescue

The engagement is announced between Nicholas, elder son of the late Brigadier W. S. G. Armour and of Mrs Armour, of Brandsby. York, and Georgina, counger daughter of the Hon Marin and Mrs Fortescue, of Wincombe Park, Shaftesbury.

and Miss E. A. Parker The engagement is announced het engagement is announced between Stephen Francis, youn-gest son of Dr and Mrs S. C. Gold, of London and Saffron Welden, and Elizabeth Ann, youngest daughter of the Hon Sir Roger and Lady Parker, of Widford Hanfordshire. Widford, Hertfordshire.

Mr P. M. M. Bevan and Miss P. A. Kilbourn

The engagement is announced between Peter, son of Mr and Mrs J. L. M. Bovan, of Croffta, Groes Faen, Glamorgan, and Groes Faen, Glamorgan, and Penelope Anne, daughter of Mr and Mrs. J. R. Kilbourn, of Meadow House, Peasenhall, and Mrs P. M. Percival

The engagement is announced and the murriage will take place in Bristol tomorrow between Edward, elder son of Mr E. M. Courage and the late Mrs M. Courage, and Victoria, daughter of Mr and Mrs J. Shevill.

between Genifrey, eldest son of the and Mr. Doue Francis, of Huberth Piterims Way, Guildford, to Coutrice, younger daughter of Mejor-General and Mrs. Robert Tabary, of Brussels, Belgium.

Mr O. D. Gilmore and Miss S. M. Schutte

the engagement is announced i wween Owen Desmand Gilmore, of Mid. by, Norfolk, and Suzanne Margaret Schutte, of Wincanton,

the commemoration service will be held in chapel at 11 am on Sunday, June 20. Half-term will be May 28-june 1 inclusive, and term will end on Friday, July 9.

Eton College opens today for the Summer half. There are 1,238 hoys in the school. K. K. Nath, as captain of the Oppidans. Four performances of Kean, by Jean-Paul Sartre, will be given in the Farrer Theatre on May 31, June 1, 2 and 3. The Corps Tattoo will be on the evening of June 4 and the Pourth of June will be celebrated on Saturday, June 5, which is also the beginning of Long Leave which ends on June 9. The Winchester match will be played on Agar's Plough on June 18 and 19 and the Harrow match at Lord's on Saturday, July 3. School closes on July 9.

Carliste Catheoral from becoming a "solden mass". Urgent repars the choir, are needed to the roof of the twelfth century building and to the east window, which has been in a high three milling in the cast window, which has been in saying feat down its type in Europe.

The appeal has been promised \$129,000 from individuals and

industry in the north of England.
Mr. Norman Phillips, the cathedral architect, said the last oig appeal in the 1950s was to prevent the cathedral from becoming a crumbling ruin.

Guncil for England, yesterday future.' 'This appeal is to prevent it becoming a sudden mass through

leaking roofs and crumbling stonework", he said. Mr Phillips added that at least 160,000 was needed to pay for the removal of medieval class from the east window before next winter. "The medieval plass from the east window before next winter. "The window contains some of the finest artistry in Britain and it is recognized as a valuable piece of art history."

correspondent writes). The Tyne and Wear Preservation Trust, which is organizing the appeal, is also renovating some estate cottages at Backworth, near Newcastle.

in a high wind the wall moves three millimetres. "While I am not saying the wall is about to fall down, the movement is significant enough to warrant an investigation with the possibility of rebuilding the foundations in

man of the Historic Building Council for England, yesterday sunched a £500,000 campaign on Tyneside to help to save Alderman Fenwick's house in Newcastle ciry centre. a mer-Newcastle city centre, a mer-chant's house built in about 1700 (our Newcastle upon Tyne correspondent writes).

Mr T. Gardom and Miss A. Grey

The engagement is announced between Timothy, eldest son of the Rev Francis and Mrs Gardom, of Greenwich, London, and Alison, third daughter of Mr and Mrs Frederick Spenser Grey, of Southampton.

Mr R. S. Graham and Miss C.A. Steel

The engagement is announced between Rory, younger son of Major and Mrs J. Graham, of Braids, Windlesham, Surrey, and Camilla, daughter of Colonel and Mrs A. G. Steel, of Kiln Cottage, Hungerford, Berkshire.

Mr P. K. Hail and Miss M. E. Ferguson

The engagement is announced between Peter Kenneth, youngest son of Mr and Mrs K. M. Hall, of Effingham, Surrey, and Marjorie Elizabeth, younger daughter of Dr and Mrs J. G. Ferguson, of The Elms, Longforgan, Dundee.

The engagement is announced and the marriage will shortly take place, between Stephen, son of the late Miles Hornby and Mrs Hornby, of Jordans, Bucking, hamshire, and Patricia, daughter of Mr and Mrs Pridmore, of Romford, Essex.

M J. Maurer and Miss J. B. Corke

The engagement is announced hetween Jean, son of M and Mm The engagement is annnounced Maurer, of Souffelweyersheim Strasbourg, and Juliet, daughter of Mr. Martin Corke, of Great Wheinetham, Bury St Edmunds, and of the late Mrs Jean Corke.

Marriage

Mr P. R. P. Champness and Miss A. R. Brereton Smith The marriage took place in London on April 16 between Mr Peter Champness and Miss Anne

Summer Term began on Monday.

S. Edwards is captain of cricket and P. J. Hulston is secretary. The Alleyn Chib will hold a reception in the Dulwich Picture Gallery on May 7. The confirmation service will be conducted to the Right Rev Michael Jarshall, Bishop of Woolwich, in hapel at 2.15 pm on May 11. Shoup Captain P. L. Gray (OA) will inspect the Combined Cadet barce on June 8. The school concert will be held at the Festival Hall at 7.30 pm on June 12. Founder's day is June 19 and la. Founder's day is June 19 and

Eton College

KS, continues as captain of the school and S. C. P. Mallaby, OS, as captain of the Oppidans. Four

Grenville College

Summer Term begins today and continues until July 7. A. P. Gunningham is head prefect. The Commemoration of Benefactors will be held on Friday, May 28, when the Vice-Provost of the Vestern Division Woodard Schools and Admiral Sir David Davidson is head by and Lr Bourden Lawrence La when the Vice-Provost of the Western Division Woodard Schools and Admiral Sir David Williams will be the principal speakers. The building of a new hall and chapel began on January 25 and will be completed by the beginning of the Autumn Term. July 8.

The Leys Summer Term at The Leys begins today. J. P. Mitchell continues as senior prefect and G. C. Mackintosh is captain of cricket. Half-term is from May 28-June 1 and term ends with Speech Day on Saturday, July 10, when Mr Patrick Jenkin, Secretary of State for Industry, will be the principal guest. be the principal guest.

Merchant Taylors' School, Northwood

Oueen Ethelburga's School, Harrogate

Summer Term at Queen Ethelburga's School opens today. The return visit of French pupils from College P. Labitrie, Tournefeuille, is from April 25 to May 10. OE Day is Saturday, May 15, and Half-term from May 23 to June 1. The Visitor for Speech Day on July 3 will be because June 1. The Visitor for Speech Day on July 3 will be the Provost of the Northern Division of the Woodard Corporation, the Rev P. N. Pare, and Term will end on July 13.

Carlisle Cathedral appeal

From Our Correspondent
Carlisle
A film appeal was officially launched yesterday to save made into the safety of the Carlisle Cathodral from becoming foundations of the south wall of Measurements have shown that

Dinners

The Lord Mayor and Lady Mayoress of Westminster gave a uncheon yesterday at Westminster City Hall. The Westminster City Hall. The guests were and Marchioness of Loihian. Mr Justice and Lady Lloyd, Sir Thomas Harley, Sir Robert and Lady Lawrence. Liculenant-Colonel and Mrs T A K Walson. Cannon and Mrs Harry Sullon, Mr P C Cowper. Mr and Mrs Bryan Ford. Mr and Mrs S de Schwarzburg-Gunther, Mrs Elizabeth Villiers. Mr and Mrs P R V Walkins. Cuncillor Group Capitain and Mrs G M Pirle and Miss Diana Towell. Institute of Energy

Institute of Energy
The annual luncheon of the
Institute of Energy was held at
the Inn on the Park Hotel
yesterday. The president of the
institute, Sir John Hill, was in
the chair and the principal guest
and speaker was Sir Kenneth
Corfield, Chairman of the Engineering Council, and Chairman
and Chief Executive of Standard
Telephones and Cables. United Newspapers pic

Luncheons

Lady Mayoress of Westminster

The Chairman and directors of United Newspapers gave a luncheon yesterday at the Savoy Hotel for business associates and friends. Mr David R. Stevens welcomed the guests and Mr William Whitelaw, Secretary of State for the Home Department, replied.

Receptions Prime Migister

The Prime Minister was host at a reception held yesterday evening at 10 Downing Street for entrepreneurs and small busi-

m m Government Mrs Peggy Fenner, Parliamentary Secretary, Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food,

Agriculture, Fisheries and Food, and Mr Bernard Fenner were hosts at a reception given by Her Majesty's Government yesterday at Lancaster House in honour of delegates attending the twelfth session of the Codex Committee on Fats and Oils.

Speaker
The Speaker gave a dinner in Speaker's House yesterday evening in honour of Herr Leopold Wagner, Provincial Governor of Carinthia. The Austrian Ambassador was present. Other guests were Mr Bernard Weatherill, MP, Mr Ronald Lewis, MP, Dr Maurice Miller, MP, Mr Alexander Pollock, MP, Canon Trevor Beeson, Miss H Orkin and Mr W A Beaumont.

Royal Society of Medicine
Sir John Stallworthy, president
of the Royal Society of Medicine,
presided at a dinner for members
of council held last night at 1
Wimpole Street. The guest
speaker was Miss Katharine
Whitehorn and other guests
included Lord Porritt, Lord and
Lady Richardson Surgeon Vice Lady Richardson, Surgeon Vice-Admiral Sir James Watt, Sir Gordon and Lady Wolstenholms and Dr Norah Schuster.

Meetings Allied-Lyons

A seminar was held yesterday, at Glaziers' Hall, in aid of "What the disabled can do for the employers" chaired by Mr John Clemes, of Allied-Lyons. Among

Sir Kennelh Cork, Mr Robin Dunham, Mr Alan Hardcasile, Mr Hush Rossi Minister of State for Health and Social Security, Baroness Lape-Fox, Mrs Ruth Homer-Ormiston, Mr David Richards, Mr Kenneth Sharp and Mr Corys Caliersali, walker,

Association of Lancastrians in

At the annual general meeting of At the aunual general meeting of the Association of Lancastrians in London held last night at Simpson's in-the-Strand Colonel Sir Eric St Johnston was elected president for the ensuing year and Mr Edmund Kershaw chairman

Museums 'should be places of entertainment'

"There can be little doubt that

the arts are a major factor in determining tourists' choice of holidays here. Even if this were the only benefit of the arts, they would still be offering good value to the country," he said.

The total public expenditure on

"Given the level of income from tourism, public expenditure in support of the arts is a major bargain in terms of the return received," he said.

Mr Channon called for more business involvement in museums and galleries. Welcoming the increasing level of business sponsorship in the arts, he said the attractions of the performing arts had been quickly account.

arts had been quickly grasped, but there was considerable room

support for the arts.

By Christopher Warman, Arts Correspondent

The school records its gratitude for the lives of Bishop Wilfred Summer Term hegan on Monday. Schwards is captain of cricket Crabbs.

The school records its gratitude for the lives of Bishop Wilfred more emphasis on entertainment than on education, Mr Michael Mr Roger Waterbouse to be dean of the Mr Roger Waterbouse to be dean of the Montague, chairman of the Middlesex Polytechnic.

Mr Paul Channon, Minister for the Arts, who opened the conference, emphasized the good Middlesex Polytechnic. value represented by the arts.
The benefits ilerived from tourism were enormous in relation to the level of public English Tourist Board, said in -ondon vesterday.

Speaking at a conference on tourism and museums, he argued that museums must learn to change as surely as the history they recorded.

"Government at both local and national level has recognized the

"Government at both local and national level has recognized the achievement and value of museums. However, gone are the days when the only movement in a gallery was the ticking of the clock. Today's visitor expects to be excited, entertained and above all involved," he said.

He was supported by Mr. Lester Summer Term begins on Thurs day, April 22. The head monitor is P. H. Forster. The triennial service of commemoration will be held in St Paul's Cathedral at 2.15 pm on Friday, May 28 when the preacher will be the Right Rev Francis Cocks. Speech day is on Thursday, June 10 and OMT Day on Saturday, June 19. presenting themselves in a more entertaining way, with many abandoning the word 'museum' altogether. This is what the tourist expects on holiday. He wishes to be entertained and not educated, Mr Borley said.

He added that research had

educated, Mr Borley Said.

He added that research had show that the majority of the public was quite willing to pay an admission charge to museums and art galleries provided they felt they were getting value for minney.

Latest wills

Latest estates include (net,

for expansion in sponsorship for museums and galleries. "An association with a museum gallery or heritage building is an association with quality and with lasting value," he said. Blackie, Dr Margery Grace, of Castle Hedingham, Essex, physi-cian to the Queen since 1969

Whitaker, Mr Edgar Haddon, of Roehampton, London, managing director and chairman of J Whitaker & Sons, publishers of Whitaker's Almanack,E298,074 Wood, Mrs Christina Henrietta, of Brampton, Cumbria ...£225,706 £181.672



Marines honoured: Britain's historical links with the sea are commemorated in these stamps, four of a set of five to go on sale at post offices on June 16. They have been designed by Marjorie Saynor and adopt the theme of the English Tourist Board's National Maritime year. The stamps above show famous mariume year. The stamps above show famous mariners with the vessels they were associated with: Henry VIII with the Mary Rose; Lord Nelson with the Victory; Lord Fisher with HMS Dreadnought and Viscount Cunningham with HMS Warspite.

Art Deco bureau sold for record £150,679

By Geraldine Norman, Sale Room Correspondent

The afficionados of Art Deco are still around, despite recent depressing sale results, as long as enticing rarities are on offer. An outstanding German creation with important provenance falls squarely in this bracket and secured an auction record for twentieth century furniture when offered in Monte Carlo on Monday

It is a bureau in the Secession style inlaid with various woods, tortoiseshell and ivory, designed by Koloman Moser for the Charlottenlund Palace, near Synckholm A private collection. Stockholm. A private collector paid 1,166,500 francs at Sotheby's sale or £150,679. It was exhibited in the 1903 Secession Exhibition in Vienna before being sent to

Sweden. The other sensational price in Sotheby's sale was 990,000 francs or £99,448 for a matching dressing table and chair designed by Emile-Jacques Ruhlmann and lacquered (black powdered with gold) by Jean Dunand. The furniture dates from 1927 and these are the grandest names in rich, avant-garde furniture of the day. The price is far ahead of anything so far secured at auction for Dunand's work.

Even with such results, Sotheby's sale was not con-sistently buoyant. Some 18 per cent of the total was left unsold.

Latest appointments Latest appointments include: Mr Peregrine Rhodes to be Ambassador to Greece in succession to Sir Isin Sutherland, who will be taking up a further Diplomatic Service appointment.

The Editor of The Times has made the following appointments:

Mr John Higgins, arts editor, to be executive editor, arts and features; Mr Peter Stothard, deputy features editor to be features editor in succession to Mr Anthony Holden, who has resigned.

London University

the arts is running at about the arts is running at about £500m, which compares with the tourist industry's income of about £8,000m a year. The first oration ceremony for the Duke-Elder International Medal was held at Senate House on Tuesday, April 20, 1982, followed by luncheon. Among followed by luncheon. Among the guests were:
The Belgian Ambanador and Mms Vaes. Lady Duke-Elder. Professor Randolph Quirk. Vice-Chancellor. London University. Professor Dr Jules Francois. Ghent University (recipient of the Duke-Elder International Medal): Professor Dr Bernard Streiff ireasurer. International Council of Ophthalmology. Mr F M Cumberlege. Chairman, Institute of Ophthalmology and Mr Barrie Jay. Dean. Institute of Ophthalmology and Mr Barrie Jay. Dean. Institute of Ophthalmology.

> Correction The working party which produced the report on euthanasia, described on April 15, had 16 members, not seven.

Birthdays today



Lord Beeching, 69; Sir Aubrey Burke, 78; Mr Thomas Burns, 76; Sir George Burton, 66; the Earl of Derby, 64; Mr L. E. Ellis, 50; Professor Lawrence Gowing, 64; Air Marshal Sir John Hunter-Tod, 65; Mr John McCabe, 43; Mr G. W. Odey, 82; Mr Norman Parkinson, 69; Sir Geoffrey Ramsden, 89; Mr James Wentworth-Day, 83.

attracted the most scholarly representatives of inter-national Jewry. The books on per cent without buyers. The Museum of Jewish Art in £8,250 (estimate £3,500-£5,000) for Kimchi's Sefer Ha'shoroshim, a biblical lexicon and grammar published

At Christie's South Kensington souvenirs of show business were securing high bids. A dress of crimson velvet and cream satin worm by Marlene Dietrich in Knight Without Armour sold for £500 to the Foots Barn Theatre, St Germans, Corn-wall, which bought extensively.

Rudolph Valentino Association, expressing his enormous appreciation of her admiration, sold for £320 (estimate £80-£120) to a close friend of Miss Elliot's. The black mask, worn by Valentino in The Eagle sold for £450 (estimate £200-£300.



The Duchess of Gloucester meeting Mrs Adela Steventon and her son Daniel, born hours earlier, when she opened the Elm Aleck Bourne maternity unit at St Mary's Hospital, Paddington, yesterday.

In London a sale valuable Hebrew books from the Valmadonna Trust had offer were duplicates from a rich library which has been substantially extended in recent years, but sold against tough reserves which left 19 Jerusalem was the most substantial purchaser with a dozen major lots to its name. They paid the top price at £8,250 (estimate £3,500-

in 1491.

An autographed letter from Rudolph Valentino to Miss M. C. Elliot, founder of the



Mr John C. Mortimer, QC, the playwright and author, who is 59

Fears over birds in bomb zone

The peace and quiet of Cape Wrath will be shattered this week when newly converted RAF Vulcan bombers start target practice on the tiny island of Garve, less than half a mile from one of the biggest seabird colonies in Britain (Jonathan Wills

writes). The delta-winged bombers are using live 1,000lb bombs and the Royal Society for the Protection of Birds is worried about disturbance to nesting puffins, guillemots, fulmars and kittiwakes.

An RSPB spokesman said vesterday that the Ministry of Defence usually tried to avoid bombing on the Cape the society would like to see a moratorium on exercises with live ammunition between mid-April and early

Garve Island is so battered by past bombardments that only great black-backed gulls now frequent it. They usually fly off when exercises begin with dummy ammunition. However, the shock waves from 1,000lb bombs will disturb nesting seabirds on cliffs up to two miles away, the RSPB says.

Lambing is about to begin at this north-western tip of Scotland but the ewes have been taken to lower ground at the Kyle of Durness, out of harm's way. The Ministry of Defence

vesterday described the exer-rise at Cape Wrath as "critical" in view of the Falklands crisis.

Iron age project wins award

By Tony Samstag

The Oxford Archaeological
Unit won the main British
Archaeological Award yesterday
for a project by a professional
team or unit for its work on its
The Iron Age and Romano-British
rural settlements in the Upper
Thames Valley. The unit is
involved in more than 60 projects
such year, selecting likely
waterlooped sites from aerial By Tony Samstag

involved in more than 60 projects each year, selecting likely waterlogged sites from aerial photographs and specializing in environmental remains such as plants and bettles.

The awards, were presented by Mr Michael Heseltine, Secretary of State for the Environment, at the British Museum. Recipitents included the Colchester Archaeological Trust, for its discovery of the remains of a Roman fortress; Warout School, Gleurothes, Fife, for its field survey of a medieval warout School, Gleurothes, Fife, for its field survey of a medieval settlement in the Lomond Hills: Mr Mchael Luke, a student aged 16, for his study of a site at Alfodean, Sussex; Occidental of Britain, for its sponsorship of the Orkney survey, and the Wealden Iron Research Group for its work on the local charcoal iron industry.

work on the local charcoal iron industry.
Four certificates of merit were also awarded in the professional class: to members of the Camerbury Archaeological Trust, to the Colchester Archaeological Trust, the Kent Archaeological Rescue Unit, and West Yorkshire County Council.

40 bridge pairs qualify for the final

By a Bridge Correspondent
The area finals of the English
Bridge Union's national pairs
championship took place on
Sunday at five centres. Forty
pairs have qualified for the
national final on May 8 and 9 at Derby. The leading pairs at each Centre were:
Northern pairs at Harrogate:
1 J. M. Kimpton, A. Martindale
(Vorishire) 3,040: 2, P.E. Mortey, S.
Sychinski (North-wast) 2,932: 3, R.
Khapp, P.Care (Vorishire) 2,739.

Knapp, PCare (Yorkshire) 2,789, South of England pairs at Maidenhead: 1. Mr and Mrs P. N. Lee (Middlesex) 5,592; J. Barr. T. Bess (Surrey) 3,544; J. Dairellon, R. Bissons (Kent)

3.503.
Eastern pairs at Peterborough:
I. R. J. Gibbons. B. J. Callagha
(Hertfordshire) 2.847; 2. J. Cullbe
(Hertfordshire) J. Rosse (Middlesse,
2.784; 3. P. Franklin. S. Green (Eases,
2.736. 2.736.
South-west pairs at Bristol:
1, D C Smith. J L Pepin (souther country) 2,126; 2, J Salisbury, R J Upton (wales) 2,100; 3, 4 Bridgeman, E K Evers (Devon and Cornwall) 2,088.

3.088.
Midland pairs at Birmingham:
1. K. F. Stanley (Warwickshire).
5. Stooks (Nottlinghamshire) 1, 421;
J. A. Daughton (Staffordshire).
Mortey (North-west) 1, 558; 5, 8;
Fishburne. M Amos (Warwickshill, 281.

Moreover . . . Miles Kington

British Television Co making a documentary film new Orient Express starting end May, would like to hear from anyone connected with, worked or travelled on an old train, preferably between wars. Box 15463, Herald Tribune, 92521 Neuilly Cedex, France.

International Herald Tribune April 17 Dear British Television Co.

My name is Albert Parker and I worked on the Orient Express between the wars for 15 years, I suppose I am the sort of chap you are after. I not a driver or anything, but then if you got hold of a driver he wouldn't be able to tell you much about the passengers, would he? One driver I knew called Otto, from Switzerland he was, used to say to me: "Being an engine driver is like being God; you have many people's lives in your hands so it is best not to know anything about them." I often won-dered what he meant by that.

ideas about the Orient Express. They imagine that it had on board a casino, palm court, cinema, cocktail bar and swimming pool. Which shows that they know nothing about the gentry of those days. What would they want with a swimming pool? They got their servants to do their got their servants to do their there fiddling with his rough near Trieste. swimming for them. I believe swizzle stick. Usually I'd just Yours, etc

there was an experimental say: Yes, your Royal Highswimming pool-car tried out in the early 1930s, but nobody used it. Otto told me that he once took a curve too fast near Florence and lost all the water, together with the pool attendant.

We had the casino, cinema, cocktail bar, etc, of course. I remember seeing Graham Greene quite often in the cinema and the bar. He was having religious doubts at the time and me being a lapsed Catholic I was able to put him straight on a few points. But as soon as he got rid of one doubt, he thought of was only a coach attendant, another, and eventually I just said to him: You ought to get rid of it all in a novel, Graham Greene.

Agatha Christie another person who used to ride the train a lot, though she usually sat by herself writing. She talked to me quite often, because she people on the train. I could willingly strangle them, were her words. You shouldn't say People often have funny say; could sound bad if

anything went wrong. Point taken, Parker, she rejoined.

The Duke of Windsor was

The Duke of Windsor was grateful if you could put him any and if

ness; but once I was so bold as to say that there was a nice American lady in com-partment E4 who felt exactly the same. Well, I introduced them and the rest is history. I even got an invitation to the wedding but couldn't go, on account of I was stuck in Venice due to high tides at the station.

Another curious bloke I met was B. Traven, the writer. That wasn't his real name, of course. I've got his real name in a letter he once wrote home. I could dig it out if you're interested.

Well, I could go on all day

you're after. I must say, it's nice to know that people are still interested in the old Orient Express; most people these days seem to think it's a kind of credit card. Next time somebody says to me: Orient Express? That will do nicely, sir, I swear I'll brain

if this is the sort of thing

them. I hope this letter gets to

you all right at Neuilly Cedex, which sounds a funny kind of place to me, not the another whom we saw quite often. You've no idea how lonely it is at the top, Parker, he would say to me after the third cocktail, and my heart fair bled for him as he sat there fiddling with his says Triagge and the says t

OBITUARY BRIGADIER FREDERICK BASTON

Service with the Royal Artillery

Brigadier Frederick Baston, DL, died on April 17 at the age of 77. He was born on May 25, 1904 and commissioned in the South Wales Borderers in 1927. From 1935 to 1939 he served in India where he was mentioned in despatches during his service on the

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North West Frontier. During the Second World War he was GSO 1 (Radar) at the War Office from 1942 to Wrath range during the 1943, transferring to the nesting season, but ideally Royal Artillery in 1943. He was Chief Instructor (Radar) at the School of Anti-Aircraft Artillery from 1946 to 1947 and from 1947 to 1950 he commanded the 54th AA Regiment, Royal Artillery, in

Regiment, Royal Artillery, in Gibraltar.

He was chief instructor at the School of AA Artillery from 1950 to 1953 and Commanded the 77th AA Brigade, RA, from 1953 to 1955. After his retirement he was chairman of the Brecknock and Radnor TA & VR Association and a vice. Association and a vice-chairman of the Welsh Border TA & VR Association. He was a Deputy Lieutenant for Breconshire from 1958.

He married, in 1934, Evelyn Mary, daughter of Alfred William Lewis. There were a son and a daughter of the marriage. His wife died in 1955.

MR WILLIAM HUNTLEY

Mr William Huntley, who was well known as one of the most senior barristers on the Western circuit, has died at Western circuit, has then are
the age of 89.
William Mack Huntley was
born in 1893 and educated at
King Edward VI School,
Bath. He had served for

Bath council as councillor and alderman before being called to the Bar by Lincoln's Inn in 1947. Thereafter he practised on the Western circuit, based at Bristol and was, from 1953 to

many years on the City of

1970, Recorder of Wells. Hundley was twice married, firstly, in 1931, to Muriel, daughter of W. F. Akehurst by whom he had one son and one daughter. She died in 1945 be married, secondly Dorothy Mary, daughter of E. R. Goldsworthy.

SIR ERIC **MILLBOURN**

Sir Eric Millbourn, CMG, who was Adviser on Shipping in Port to the Minister of Transport from 1946 to 1963 and subsequently chairman of the Council of Administ-ration, Malta Dockyard, died on April 17 at the age of 77. An engineer by profession, Millbourn had also been chairman of the London Airport Development Committee and was, from 1964 to 1967 deputy chairman of the National Ports Council He was appointed CMG in 1950 and knighted in 1955. Millbourn married in 1931, Ethel Marjorie, daughter of

Joseph E. Sennett. They had one son and one daughter. LORD STRANGE Lord Strange, 15th Baron, died on April 13th. He was

Born on May 6 1900, the son of Captain Malcolm Drummond of Megginch, John Drummond, was edu-cated at Eton. He succeeded to the title of Baron Mcg-ginch on the termination of a

seven year abeyance of the barony in 1965.

Under the name John Drummond, he wrote a number of books ranging from accounts of farming on his estate, to fiction. These included: The Bride Wore Black (1942); The Pocket Show Book (1943); Inheritance of Dreams (1945), an account of the farming of his Megginch estate on the Carse of Gowrie: The Naughty Mrs Thornton (1952), an ingenious novel of social reminiscence, and *Proof Positive* a murder mysterv.

MR WILLIAM GROUNDWATER

Mr William Groundwater, who was for 21 years Rector of Stromness Academy in the Orkneys, has died at the age of 76. He retired as Rector in A distinguished educa-tionist he was also a poet and

naturalist and was the author of Birds and Mammals of Orkney and was a co-editor of The New Orkney Book. He served on the Orkney Islands Council for a term and was at one time vice-chairman of the education committee. His wife Mrs Rosetta

Groundwater, who died in

1976, became the first and only Provost of Stromness.

He is survived by his son

William, resident surgeon in Orkney, and two daughters, Elizabeth and Connie. KONSTANTIN ZARODOV

Konstantin Zarodov, --- a leading Soviet journalist has died at he age of 61. Zarodov had been chief editor since 1968 of the World Maxist Review, a theoretical and information journal for communist and allied parties that is sold in about 150 countries, and had from 1961 to 1965 been chief editor of Sovietskaya Rossiya. He had previously been First Deputy Chief Editor of Pravda and was a junior member of the Central Committee of the Soviet Communist Party.

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Exchange

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By Our Financial Staff

Mr John Young, aged 44, a senior partner of stock-brokers Simon & Coates is to resign from his firm and take

up the new position of Director of Policy and Plan-ning at the Stock Exchange

next month.

He will be the second

stockbroker to swop a part-nership for a staff job with the Exchange's administration in six months. The last

was Mr Robert Wilkinson who became the Exchange's

Inspector keeping a watch on firms' accounts and business

conduct, last November.
"I am delighted, I think my

long experience as a working stockbroker will help in the new job. It was a personal decision, but I would like to be of service to the Stock

Exchange as a whole," Mr
Young said.

Mr Young, a member of
the ruling stock exchange
council for the past four

years, is chairman of the quotations Committee and sits on the Property and Finance and the Appeal Committees. He has been with Simon and Coates for 21

years and a partner for the

past 17. Mr Young will resign from both his firm and the council before taking his new

appointment on May 25.

He will report directly to
Mr Jeffrey Knight who was
appointed Stock Exchange
chief executive two months

ago on the resignation of Mr Robert Fell.

His area or responsibility will cover the policy of the membership and quotations departments, planning and relations with external institutions at home and abroad.

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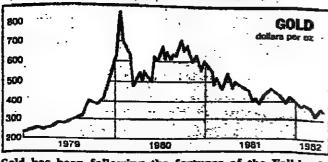
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BUSINESS NEWS

Gold follows crisis



Gold has been following the fortunes of the Falklands crisis in recent days. Monday's drop of \$14.5 to \$348 an ounce as hopes rose for a negotiated settlement was continued in New York where the price fell to \$341.50. But there was some recovery yesterday in London where it closed at \$342.75. The dollar fell below DM 2.40 for the first time since the Argentine invasion more than a fortnight ago, after signs that the Federal Reserve Board is not going to tighten credit policy,

Nat West resists bank tax

Strong resistance to further taxation of the banks was promised by National Westminister yesterday. Mr Robin Leigh-Pemberton, chairman, said at the annual meeting that the banks were convinced of the soundness of their case against further tax, "We will be ready with a robust defence of our position when we can see the battleground more clearly," he said. Mr Leigh-Pemberton described the Chancellor of the Exchequer's comments in the Budget on the level of tax borne by the banks as unjustified and vague.

Staving off Soviet pianos

The EEC Commission has imposed a provisional antidumping duty of 478 European Currency Units about £267) on upright planes from the Soviet Union because they were competing unfairly with pianos made in Britain. The commission found that pianos from the Soviet Union, Czechoslovakia, Poland and East Germany were squeezing British-made instruments out of the market for low-priced beginners' pisnos, with the result that United Kingdom production fell to 13,000 in 1980 from 18,700 in 1979.

Electric truck from Lelyland

Leyland Vehicles is teday announcing plans for limited production of an electric version of its 7.5 tonne Terrier truck. The battery-powered vehicle, to be built in small numbers next year, will have a top speed of 40mph and a working range of 50 miles. It working range of 50 miles. It has a payload capacity of 2.5 tonnes and will be aimed at local authorities

· Nigeria is to curb imports and raise domestic interest rates by 2 per cent. President Shagari also announced measures to combat rampant smuasling that has been undermining efforts to control foreign exchange outflows. He gave no details where the two per cent increase would be applied.

Concert party

Government moves to make "concert party" share deals illegal are expected within two weeks. Orders making it a criminal offence for inves-tors to buy shares separately with the intention of using them as one holding later will be among a number of new measures

Monopolies post

Sir Alan Neale, a former senior civil servant who has been a part-time member of the Monopolies and Mergers Commission since last May, has been appointed one of its three part-time deputy chairmen in succession to Sir Max Brown. Sir Alan was formerly Permanent Secretary at the Ministry of Agriculture and is an expert on Unted States anti-trust law.

market expectations of about

market expeciations of about £12m pre-tax were not met. Supermarket group William Low was unchanged at 200p after a modest rights issue accompanied interim results, but there was a 17p leap to 153p for newspaperts John Menries after a

newsagents John Menzies after a

23 per cent profits rise and a 45p

spurt to 380p for Tilbury Group,

also on improved earnings.

Hawker Studeley was 6p
better at 302p as the market
awaited finals due today, which
are expected to show a jump in

pre-tax profits from £113m to about £125m. Meanwhile Harris Queensway hardened 10p to 148p with the market looking for

up to £9m pre-tax in today's

173p after news that Mr Ralph Halpern, chairman, had exercised

an option to acquire 100,000 shares at 56p, having at the same time sold 245,000 shares at

171 %p.
On the bid front BPCC put on

2½p at 40½p after the previous day's Intervention in the bid by John Menzies for Lonsdale Universal, 1p better at 68p.

Foster Brothers shed 5p to 60p on the sale of a number of subsidiaries while profit taking clipped 20p from Channel Tunnel

at 128p. Banks were firmer with Bar-

clays up 5p at 443p, and Lloyds 8p better at 421p.

Gareth David

Burton Group were 2p beter at

igures against 25.3m.

MARKET SUMMARY

Glaxo the star turn

LONDON EXCHANGE one of the few disappointments

ex 562.6 im 4.5 FT Gilts 67.45 up 0.39 FT All share 321.42 up 4.21 Bargains 15,458

Hopes for peace continued to overshadow the Stock Market but sariy enthusiasm was tempered by the Prime Minister's comments on the House suggesting a settlement of the Falklands crisis looked no nearer. The FT Index eased slightly off the best to close up 4.5 at 562.6

GLAXO was again the star turn among leading equities, jumping 18p to 621p on recent figures and on the prospects for the Zantac drug. This is a rise of 69p since the results were announced two weeks ago.
The market is also extremly

short of stock a factor which helped Sainsbury to a 20p jump to 690p as a large -buyer remained in the market.

Business remained thin in the gill market where there were lurther advances with long dates E% firmer and shorts showing gains of £%

Oils were a firm sector with BP putting on 60 at 302p and Ultramar jumping 13p to 406p after bullish comments from Mr. Arnold Lorbeer, chairman, in the group's annual report. This year will be one of consolidation says two years the group will have the basis for continued growth and sharply increased earnings.

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MONEY MARKETS

Period rates were a little essie

where changed. The Bank bought £305m. of bills in response to a

forecast shotage of £300m.

3 month interbank 13%-13%

Euro-currency rates: 3 month dollar 1413/16-151/16

Domestic rates:

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Base rates 1.3%

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OTHER EXCHANGES

● Raw sugar futures closed easier, between £6.7 and £3.8 per tonne below yesterday's close tokyo: nikkel Dow Jones Index 7,258.15 up 122.94 Hongkong: Hang Seng Index 1,193.77 up 13.12 Dealers said prices drifted sightly lower from midday levels,

CURRENCIES

levels, but not enough to count the bearish sentiment. Most-traded May ended at £129.0. ● The pound rose to \$1.7745 above its new contract low of £128.5. before dropping back on renewed anxieties over the Faiklands crisis. The dollar tell sharply on in the morning reports of further producer selling, particularly by Thailand, had prompted further liquidation lower dollar interest rates and signs that the Fed does not intend to tighten credit policy.

LONDON CLOSE £ per tonne SUGAR

Sterling \$1.7655 down 5 points Index 89.8 down 0.1 May 1982 Fr. F 1:1.0400 Yen 431.00 Index 115.2 down 0.7

\$342.75 down \$5.25

TODAY

Mr Patrick Jenkin, Secretary of State for Industry, addresses annual dinner of the Process Plant Association, London Mon-thly council meeting of the Confederation of British Industry. Cyclical indicators for the United Kingdom economy (March); Indices of average earnings (Februa-ry): Indices of basic wage rates

Board Meetings. Interims: McKechnie Brothers, MTD (Man-gula); Wade Potteries. Finals: Biddle Holdings, Concord Rotaflex, Cussins Properties, Danish

Paris talks aim to ease trade tension

The meeting, which is planned for May 12 and 13 will be held along the same will be held along the same the Unit interest as the first informal EEC's su quadripartite trade meeting this year at Key Biscayne, United States in January.

The EEC will be represented by Herr Wilhelm between the EEC Commissioner for External Afficies and Six Pau Dearnage the the Care

missioner for External Affairs and Sir Roy Denman, the department's Director General. The United States will be represented by Mr William Brock, the United States Trade Representative. Mr Shintaro Abe, the Minister for International Trade and Industry, will attend for Japan and Canada's representative will be Mr Ed Lumley, Secretary of State for Trade. EEC officials describe the EEC officials describe the meeting as an exercise to "clear the air" between the four trading blocks. But it will take place at a time of

summit Versailles in June. The talks can be expected to cover a whole range of trading issues from the

growing trade tension that threatens to upset the atmos-

phere at this year's Western

Officials from the Europroblems created by Japan's Commission is proposing to pean Community, the United large and growing trade negotiate in Gatt a limit to States, Japan and Canada will surpluses with the EEC and the amount of corn gluten hold a top-level meeting next the United States, through to feed a month near Paris in an specific complaints such as attempt to defuse growing the anti-dumping suits communitrating blocks.

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> One result of the Key Biscayne meeting was an agreement that disputes between the trading blocks should be handled as far as possible in the framework of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT)

However, some officials now fear that the Gatt machinery may be overtaxed by a recent flood of complaints.

In the last few months, the EEC has broken new ground by taking Japan to Gatt under Article 23 of the treaty in an Article 23 of the treaty in an attempt to get the government in Tokyo to open up the Japanese market to more foreign goods.

The United States is also pursuing complaints against the EEC for its subsidized exports of food products such as wheat, flour, sugar, popultry and pasta.

poultry and pasta. Over the last month the the amount of corn gluten feed that the United States can sell to the European community free of import

producers against their European competitors and the
growing hostility shown by
the United States to the
EEC's subsidized agricultural
States.

The corp gluten proposal

The corn gluten proposal, which involves United States sales to Europe worth about \$500m (about £282m) last year, is seen by the Ameri-cans as an attack on a longestablished tariff-free market and as an attempt by the Commission to abuse the liberal intentions of the Gatt treaty in a way that was not envisaged at Key Biscayne.

US rules out early Soviet grain deal

Mr William Brock said yesterday that the Reagan Administration was not ready to discuss another long-term grain agreement with the Soviet Union during nego-tiations in Paris next month with a high-level team of Russion trade specialists (Bailey Mocris, in Washington, writes). The Administration has not changed its Over the last month the tension in transatlantic trading relations has increased dramatically. The EEC farmers, he added.

£10m loss a blow to private docks plan

the board was heading for a

profit again this year after a

25 per cent rise in traffic and 20 per cent in revenue in the

record over the past decade.

While last year's results
were not helpful and might
have put the timetable back,
they were "not a setback

overall for privatization," he

which upset results were an estimated £15m loss because

of industrial action at Sou-

thampton which diverted big container ships for much of the year, a 25m bill for

severance pay to non-docker staff, a f6m bill for delays by

the government in approving

new severance terms for dockers, and subsidized competition from London,

Liverpool, and Bristol. Without these, Sir Hum-phrey claimed, 1981 could

have been quite good despite the recession. He forsaw a

return to 20 per cent profits, while declining to specify the year in which this might happen.

ish Printing and Communi-cation Corporation hoped to halt the Menzies bid by picking up a 6.51 per cent stake in Lonsdale.

Meanwhile, Menzies shares

The special circumstances

first quarter.

By Michael Baily Transport Correspondent

The Government's privati- special circumstances, and ration plans suffered a severe zation plans suffered a severe blow yesterday when the British Transport Docks Board, due for a 49 per cent public flotation later this year, reported a £10.3m pre-tax loss for 1981, over £20m down on 1980's £11.5m profit. After a decade of steady profits — around £30m a year for four years to 1979 — the

for four years to 1979 — the board has become something of a privatizer's pet, and the setback must raise fears of either postponing the flotation or of accusations of another "bargain basement" sale of public assets at the grang time.

wrong time.

The Dept of Transport where Mr David Howell is an enthusiastic privatizer, said yesterday, "The Government is still planning on privatization this years" tion this year".
And Sir Humphrey

retiri month after 10 years in the chair, put a brave face on it at a London press conference. Privatization would still go ahead this year he declared, and need not be at a bargain terms which he would "strongly disapprove

While he agreed that last year's results "looked awful" they were entirely due to

chairman of Lonsdale Universal, today to discuss Menzies' £5,64m cash bid.

After picking up an 11.22 stake, Menzies cannot add to

Menzies hopes to sway

By Gareth David

Mr John Menzies, chairman of the newsagent and
bookselling group, is due to
meet Mr Norman Ramseyer, ish Printing and Communi-

Lonsdale in bid talks

BL 'not breaking **EEC rules**'

BL yesterday rejected charge that it was breaking a European Community agreement over the level of British content in the Tri-umph Acciaim car, which is based on a Japanese Honda

Flotation depended on a company's long-term per-formance rather than one bed year, Sir Humphrey said, and few companies could match the board's profit design.
Mr Vittorio Ghidella, managing director of Fiat, claimed that the BL-Honds collaboration on the Acclaim was in breach of an EEC demand that there should be 80 per cent local content in such ventures. such ventures. BL said: "This is nonsense.

there is no such regulation. The only figure we know of



Triumph Acclaim: content disputed

is 50 per cent local content requirement. It seems Mr Ghidella has got his facts

confused". BL also disputed Mr Ghi della's assertion that the British content of the Ac-British content of the Acclaim was only 60 per cent.
"The ex-works value of the car, including the cost of labour at Cowley, is 70 per cent", the company said.

BL went on: "The Acclaim is of EEC origin according to

all relevant Community regulations and, in fact, this has been accepted by the Italian authorities for type approval

purposes."
Mr Ghidella, who was speaking at the Turin Motor Show, accused the Japanese of using back door methods of increasing their foothold in Europe, now that direct imports to several countries were limited by quota or voluntary agreement.
"We do not feel that the

its stake for seven days celebrated yesterday's anunder Takeover Code rules.
It can then acquire up to 30
per cent before the first
closing date of the bid.

The Lonsdale board met
their first color of the bid the year to January are collaboration between BL and Honda is fair and it is one of the cases we are most concerned about," he said.



Lord Grade: keeps US links

Lord Grade finally bows out at ACC

Lord Grade, chairman of ousted as Associated Communications Corporation three months ago by Mr Robert Holmes a Court, Mr Anthony Lucas, the resigned as a director of the company last night.

But he remains executive

deputy chairman of ITC Briteriainments Inc. ACC's American subsidiary, the main source of his £200,000 a year salary. Further news of his future plans is expected payoff tal

next week. His departure was announced by ACC late last night in a boardroom shakeup which leaves only one of

the nine directors shown in the last accounts on the main board and creates a new executive board for day-today management which includes two ACC directors and two of the company's execu-The reshuffle comes after

the Australian financier's TVW Enterprises gained control of ACC with a two-tier offer which values the company at £60m. His takeover went unconditional four days ago with 90.01 per cent of the non voting shares and 88.76 per cent of the voting shares.

Mr Joimes à Court remains chairman of both the main and executive boards, but is standing down as chief further than the lobby. executive, a post which will Mr Quartano said: "Mr be abolished. Instead Mr Bert Holmes à Court tells me that Reuter, who has been run-ning ACC in the absence of Mr Holmes a Court, is had misunderstood his in-Mr Holmes a Court, is appointed group managing structions. It was not non-director and sits on the main voting shareholders who board with Lord Windlesham, and the three new non-executive directors, Sir Michael Asked if was satisfied with the press." and the three new non-execu-tive directors, Sir Michael Clapham, Mr George Preston, and Mr Michael Edwards QC.

The executive board will consist of Mr Reuter as deputy chairman, Mr Louis Mr. Anthony Lucas, the company secretary, and Mr Derek Williams who took an ACC's financial responsibilities after Mr Holmes a Court made his first takeover bid and headed the board in

Barred from payoti talks

Mr Ralph Quartane, Post Office Pension Fund chief executive, was physically restrained yesterday from entering an ACC share-holders meeting where members were due to vote on a record golden handshake

for dismissed managing director, Mr. Jack Gill.

Mr Quartano, whose fund is leading a number of institutional inestors in legal opposition to the payoff arrived a few minutes later for the noon meeting to find that a decision had been taken to allow holders of voting shares to attend. ACC employees, who said they had instructions from

the office of Mr Robert Halmes a Court, chairman to allow only voting share-holders into the meeting, prevented him from moving

that explanation he said: "I

don't want to comment."

for change in industry By Edward Townsend Industrial Correspondent

Mr Geoffrey Chandler, director general of the National Economic Develop-ment Office, yesterday called for change "across the whole spectrum of society" to raise Britain in the world indus-

trial league.

Britain, he said, had performed worse than any of the country's major industrial competitors since the war.

"This is regardless of the political party in power. There has been a steady movement to the bottom of

the industrial league" Mr Chandler, recently reappointed for a further year to the top job at NEDO, has often been critical of both sides of industry and of government and civil servants for the lack of industrial consensus. As director of the nation's major triper-tite economic forum, he has long-term industrial strategy and attacked what he has described as the dogma and ignorance that have exacerbated Britain's industrial

Speaking at the annual conference of the Banking, Insurance and Finance Union in Blackpool, he listed the five forces in society that were not playing their right-ful role — shareholders, non-executive directors, employees, trade unions and government. More employee involve

problems

ment was needed; until workers had the resources of analysis and skill to match those of management, he believed their part in society would not be as creative and as helpful to change as it

closing date of the bid. jump to 253p. Dividends for their financial advisers Kleinincreased from 5.32p per consider the Menzies offer, adjustment for last year's but in the meantime strongly scrip issue. Lloyd's denies writing new Argentine Insurance

Sanction-busting report rejected

By Peter Wilson-Smith and Anthony Bevins

Lloyd's, the London in-surance market, denied being renewal of the reinsurance monopoly party to sanctions-busting for Aerolinas Argentinas, the Nacional yesterday as confusion per-sisted over the involvement of British insurance interests with Argentina since government sanctions were imposed on April 3 after the Falklands invasion. There has been speculation that British companies have continued to negotiate on new business for Argentina.
This came after allegations

in Parliament yesterday by Mr Christopher Price (Labour, Lewisham West) that members of Lloyd's syndicates had given further insurance cover for the insurance cover for the Argentine airlines and were arranging the renewal of the policy which expires on May

But Lloyd's yesterday rebuffed these claims. No policy on Argentine business had been signed since April 2 and any new policies had been shelved since that date, a spokesman said.

Mr Peter Rees, the Trade Minister, is expected to reply today to a priority written question concerning British nvolvement in insurance for Argentina, which has been tabled by Mr Price.

Mr Tun Brennan, deputy

Argentine airline, was not being handled in London. Lloyd's officials were also in touch with insurance brokers yesterday to ensure adherence to the market's policy on Argentine business. On April 14, Lloyd's issued a notice making clear that no Lloyd's brokers or underwriters should be arranging

new business with Argentina. This came after the Bank of England's guidelines on the Although no premiums are being received from Argentina and any claims have to be paid into a special holding account at the Bank of England, the Department of

Trade confirmed yesterday that is was not illegal to do business with Argentina if no claims were met. However, there has been unconfirmed speculation that some British companies were attempting to circumvent restrictions by channelling

business through Switzer-

United States insurance broker, has in the past handled reinsurancea of

Inder (Institut Nacional de Reasseguros) firmly denied on Monday that it is now handling the renewal of this business. In New York this week, Mr Gordon Cobleigh, vice-president of Frank B. Hall, said that it was his understanding that Frank B. Hall was now exclusive broker for the

business and was trying to place it all. The reinsurance for Aerolineas Argentinas is believed to be highly profitable with \$8 to \$10 (£4.5m to £5.6m) worth of premiums at stake The aircraft fleet is believed to be valued at \$711m (£403m)

In a telex dated April 16 Frank B. Hall offered INA UK Holdings, a London company, a share in the reinsurance business and asked it: "Please advise support earliest possible Monday April 19." □ Lloyds Bank Inter-

seven 707s.

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Even at a reduced forecast, miths is on a rating of 14 times. When it spread of engineering activities — aerospace, defence, cars, marine and medical products are going well, that may be justified. But aerospace is no longer a guarantee of a glamour rating — Smiths supply is to Boeing as well as the Airbus programme. Cars continue to be

depressed by world recession and, distribution and marine business is

The medical side is doing particularly well — trading profit up rom £1.77m to £3.55m. But while profits there will continue to grow, particularly in the United States, the same may very well not be true of the Australian and South African businesses. Interest rates in both countries are rising to the detriment of economic

Smiths lists the reasons for caution for 1982 as a whole. As its financial year finishes in July, it has a very clear picture.

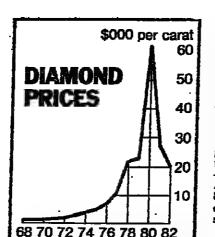
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economic activity is stagnant. Deferments in military procurement and a slow-down in civil aircraft orders are restricting short-term growth in aerospace. Prospects for all businesses apart from medical remain depressed.

Interest charges are up, at £2.9m for the half year against £2.0m last time. Smiths' reason is that further investment was required to finance the growth of overseas

The shares closed at 338p, down from 345p on the figures.

Hard stones at soft prices



low" are being used: an Ashton Joint Venture valuer bas made the lowest ever valuation of diamonds from the Venture's Argyle pros-pect in Australia (Sally White

The Australian company, CRA, which has a 56.8 per cent beneficial interest in the Ashton Joint Venture, is 57.2 per cent owned by Rio Tinto Zinc. In its report for the quarter to March 31 cra says that the latest valuation reflects the present depressed conditions in the diamond industry. As with other precious raw materials, world recession has diminished demand.

The Venture valuer assessed 32,000 carats from the Northern and Southern sections of the AK-1 Diamonds are the latest raw Kimberlite Pipe, and gave an material for which the words "new average valuation of \$7 a carat.

This compares with the previous valuation made in the last quarter of 1981 by the Central Selling Organization of between \$7.75 and \$8.40, a carat. In the past, valuations as high as three times this figure have been made in the four-year history of the working. The chart shows how the price of the Carat D Flawless, a first rate diamond, soared with the price of gold and then fell sharply. This is the top end of the diamond market the Gemmological Institute of America says it certifies only 70 or 80 of such stones a year. Prices of other diamonds have followed a similar, but less extreme, path.

Bold bid by Britannia

Britannia Arrow, the financial ervices group, has topped the bid for General and Commercial Investment Trust made by Refuge Assurance (Sally White writes). Britannia Arrow is making a cash bid that is valued at 3 per cent above the net asset value of the trust; the Refuge bid was at net asset value.

According to Britannia, whose unit trust group owns just over 29 per cent of the trust's shares, this rather expensive way of raising money is justified. But judgment depends on how the money, which would be raised by liquidating the investment trust portfolio,

At this stage, all Britannia will say is the money will be used to expand its activities - it had £10m in cash at the last balance sheet date and this bid is valued at £15.3m on the share offer of £13m on the cash offer. Britannia adds: 'In particular it is intended to acquire more fund management groups both in the United King-dom and overseas." At the moment several potential acquisitions in the United States and elsewhere are under scrutiny.

Terms of the bid are 286.5p a share and the cash alternative is of just over 252p. On the news, the shares of General and Commercial Investment Trust gained 12p to 248p. The share bid is more than 10 per cent above the net asset

Rufuge is left wondering about Britannia's reasons for bidding so high. The assurance group is leaving its bid on the table, but will not raise its value.

Britannia had had its eye on this investment trust for sometime: it is a useful size. It would seem to have been preparing its bid simutaneously as Refuge. To questions about the cheaper option of a rights issue, Britannia just point to the state of the market. In fact there is even a Falkland Island clause in this bid to give cover while the underwriting is being arranged. This says the offer is conditional on war not being conditional on war not being declared or if there are "major hostilities without a declaration of war prior to 5 pm" yesterday.

BIDS AND DEALS

westminister caraves, a ringe activity of RBW, which owns three dredgers. Its main business is supplying marine dredged send and gravel to United Kingdom and European customers. Last year Westminister made pretax profits of £946,000 on turnover of £7.3m. It employs 100 people. For ARC

restroces its long term commit-ment to marine dredging. RBW sees the move as the best possible to provide the long term support for Westminister in the light of rationalization of the aggregates industry over the last

Charterhouse Petroleum has withdrawn its £15.5m bid for CCP

The acquisition of this stake in 20/8 was a central feature of Charterhouse Petroleum's bid for CCP. But Charterhouse said its decision to withdraw was also influenced by the results of CCP's Well 12/28-1, the lower than torecast level of oil production from the CCP Buchan Field interest in the first quarter of 1982, and the significant reduction in CCP's net current assets since

the last year end.
Cluff is CCP's largest shareholder with a 29.9 per cent of the

shares.
This move by Charterhouse leaves the way clear for Tricentrol which announced a rival recommended offer worth some £15.26m on March 16. A Tricentrol offer document issued £15.26m last week said it had received knevocable acceptances in respect of 15.2 per cent of the CCP equity, with Cluff confirming its support of the Tricentrol offer subject to the lapsing of its undertaking to accept the Charter-

Cussins Property has obtained detailed planning consent for reconstruction and refurbishment of its freehold Handyside Arcade; a two-storey retail arcade in Percy St, in the centre of Newcestleupon-Tyne.

The company estimates that on mpletion the scheme will have an investment value in the region

Dry Cleaner Sketchley has extended its \$33 a share bid for Means Services Inc of the United States well Ample 29

WALL STREET

New York April 20.-Share prices slipped lower in early trading under the combined pressure of profit-taking and the uncertainty surrounding the Falkland Islands situation.

The Dow Jones Industrial Average was down by about 24, points, continuing the downtrend that started late yesterday.

by five to four and volume totalied some 9m shares in the first half hour of trading. Analysts said investors are also-concerned about the continued lack of any company. lack of any compromise between Congress and the White House on a Federal Budger "package," The Wall Street closing prices: relate to Monday's close. Later publication is caused by Britain's change to Summer Time and will cease when the U.S. changes to

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external sales by seven per cent last year to DM14,800m and recorded a 26 per cent increase in orders received to DM18,900m, Helmut Metzger, managing board member said.
Sales in the first three months of 1982 were almost 10 per cent up on a year ago, but he gave no

OVERSEAS

COMPANIES

Fried Krupp raised world group

New orders in the first three

months were down from a year ago but still over a third higher than this year's first quarter sales,

LATEST RESULTS

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He said last year's orders were an overall 8 per cent despite poor lade up of an 89 per cent results by some companies in the compensate for the lower gold price received and spending on made up of an 89 per cent results by some companies in the increase to DM9,400m in foreign civillan area.

ts consolidated group profit fell by 88 per cent in 1981, to 23.9m 8wiss Francs from Sw Fr195.9m in 1980. The company's directors decided to cut the annual dividend

to 10 per cent from 15 per cent. Total group sales in 1981 fell about 3 per cent, to Sw Fr3,99m in the diversified manufacturer's most important sector, military products, dropped 23 per cent, while sales in civilian sectors rose

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Durban Deep's taxed profit

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He gave no 1981 earnings profit fell in 1981 to Sw Fr37m this year.

The holding company's net profit fell in 1981 to Sw Fr37m this year. Taxed profit at the four gold mines managed by Rand Mines fell to 31.3m rand in the first quarter of rand in the fourth quarter of 1981. East Rand reported a 6.9m rand 1982, 47.5 per cent lower than profits in the previous three loss, compared with a profit of 8.8m rand in the previous three

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The slump was caused by a saker gold price, rising costs and provision for the higher taxes on gold mines announced in the South African budget last month. Two of the group's mines, East Rand Proprietary and Durban Rand Proprietary and Durban Roodepoort Deep, plan to claim financial assistance from the

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mine's unit costs rose from 39.70 rand per ton milled to 48.66 rand, while the gold price received fell from 13,190 rand per kilogram to Krupp Stahl said it expects profits to show radical improve-

ment on 1982, after a group net loss of DM112m last year. A shareholders' letter said steel output is unlikely to rise this year owing to the state of the economy, but higher EEC steel prices and continued restructuring and cost-

dropped to 2.6m rand between January and March, from 8.4m

The group's largest mine, Harmony, reported taxed profit of

1982, down from 24,9m rand. Th

Fried Krupp and National ranien Steel have respective takes of about 70 and 25 per cent in the company. After-lax profit of Westib Asia

rose 41 per cent to 22.8m Hongkong dollars in 1981 from \$HK16.1m in 1980, the bank's West German parant, Westbank Girozen-

Consolidated Gold Fields has bought, through its ARC Marine subsidiary, the marine aggregates business of Royal Boskalis Westminister of the Netherlands for between £10m and £15m.

ARC Marine is acquiring Westminister Gravets, a fringe activity of RBW, which owns three

the acquisition bolsters its own marine aggregates business and reinforces its long term commit-

Windrawin de 2.13.5ml bio for GCP-North See Associates after making an agreement with Cluff Oil where, subject to Department of Energy consent, it will acquire from Cluff a 1.7.1 per cent stake in United Kingdom North See Block 20/8.

which Charterhouse has a 9.8 per cent interest and where an oil discovery was made last year. A well is due to be started in 20/8 next month.

APPOINTMENTS

Mr.W. G. Barrett has been named chairman and chief executive of London Ameriation (LAICO). He takes over from Mr G. W. Tsylor, who becomes Midland Bank chief executive on May I. Mr Barren, a general manager of Midland Bank, will also have respensibility for Midland Bank Group International Trade Services, including export finance, zerospace,

project finance and the and managing director of offscore trust corporations.

May L. S. Kachelriess, managing director of London American Finance Corporations has been appointed a director. He will also be appointed to the beard of the director of Laico. Mr R. L. parent company RHP Group.

Wyatt, an assistant general manager of Midland Bank, is to become a director of Laico. He is also named general manager of the international trade services organization.

Mr L. V. D. Tindale, deputy chairman of Finance for Industry (FFI) has resigned as a director of Laico and becomes a director of London American Marketing Corporation (Lamco), in Corporation (Lamco), in which FFI retains a shareholding Mr A. J. Ponte has resigned as chief executive and managing director of Laico.

Mr Brian Crosby is to join RHP Bearings as menaging director. He will also be appointed to the beard of the

Ultramar: A powerful performance based on widespread strengths

Extracts from Mr. Arnold Lorbeer's Statement to the Shareholders and the 1981 Annual Report

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You will see from our Annual Report that we did well in 1981. Our sales revenue of £1,392,500,000, cash flow of £136,400,000, before tax profit of £180,200,000 and net profit of £90,700,000 were records for the Ultramar Group. We were able to achieve these results in the face of a world overproduction of crude oil which has caused profit margins to weaken and an economic recession which has reduced the demand for refined petroleum products in all the major markets.

On the basis of these results, your Board is recommending a final dividend of 8p per share. bringing total dividends paid out of 1981 profits to 13p per share. The 1981 dividend, together with the relevant Advance Corporation Tax, comes to £20,000,000. After three years of excellent growth, during

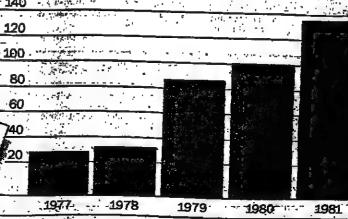
which net return on average invested capital has averaged over 25 per cent, it appears that 1982 will be a year of consolidation. Indonesian income is expected to be steady, but Eastern Canadian refining and marketing profits will be adversely affected by lower profit margins. The California division will benefit from the acquisition of Beacon Oil Company Shipping rates are still low and the level of profitability of the marine division is dependent upon the availability of business in the US preferential trade. Canadian and North Sea production, UK marketing and Caribbean operations should be profitable but will factors. probably not be big

Our financial position is strong and we have again improved our net working capital. We have also been able to continue, and even accelerate our capital expenditure programme. All the signs point to 1984 as the year in which we will double our gas production in Indonesia, produce a lighter mix of petroleum products at the Quebec Refinery, have a new source of North Sea crude oil and be operating a modern fleet of medium sized oil-bulk-ore carriers. Our most important asset is the people who

work for Ultramar. Their dedication and talents are responsible for the continued good results of the

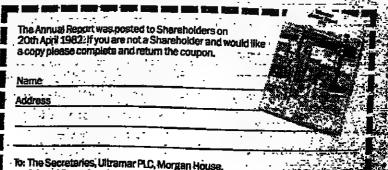
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Operating profit before taxation	180.2	126.3	75.4	37.7	24.
Taxation on operating profit	87.6	52.8	30.1	23.6	
Operating profit after taxation	92.6	73.5		14.1	
Foreign exchange fluctuations	(1.9)	0.6	4.5	(5.5)	(5.6
Net profit	90.7	.74.1	46.8	8.6	8.6
Earnings per Ordinary Share	84.3p	69.3p	49:2p	7.5p	8.2

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UNITED STATES Trade with S. America to increase

Congressman Bill Brock said the United States is intent on increasing trade with South including when he met reporters in Washington to discuss a trip last week to Argentina, Brazil and Peru. He emphasized that the Falklands crisis, in terms of

year.

trade, was not raised. There have been press reports that the United States ight consider trade or other economic sanctions against Argentina, but Mr Brock declined to discuss the reports because of delicate egotiations.

Peking has agreed to increase trade with the Soviet Union by 43 per cent this year, but this involves further planned reduction of capital goods purchases, while raw material imports from Moscow will rise, western economists said here today. The agreement set the value of bilateral trade at \$302m (£18.3m) 43 per cent up on the previous year but far below the 1979 record of \$503.3m.

Panels; Claridge Mills; Coin Controls; Comfort Hotels International; The Magnetic Media Manufacturing Division of Control Data; Coopers (Metals); Cummins Engine Company; The Equipment Division of Dasic International; Dowty Meaton Uk; Pabrikat Industries; Fairey Allday Marine.

The Display Group of the Navigation Systems Departs

day. Only \$2,100m of the debt is short-term representing an improvement over 1978-79, short-term foreign debts which came to as much as half of its total foreign

HUNDRED YEARS!

1981 RESULTS **New Annual** Premiums up by 16%

* New Single **Premiums** up by 75%

* Protected Growth Declared Rate up to 1234%

Terminal Bonus Increased

 Assets now exceed £400 Million

NEW DEVELOPMENTS

* First Annual **Declaration of Bonus**

* MORTGAGEPLAN flexible house Purchase package * SOVEREIGN PLAN -pension plan :

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INVESTMENT

* £60m of new money invested -32% into gilts,

19% in property, 40% in equities.

9% in cash.



The Queen's Awards

Selling technology to Japan

A firm which became the first British Company to export micro computer software to the Japanese is among the 110 winners of this year's Japanese is among the 110 winners of this year's Queen's. Awards for export and technology announced today. Awards were made to 91 firms for export achievement and 19 for technological advances. Although the total of 110 was one more than last year, the number of applications received for the awards was down from more than 1200 to only 1079, the lowest since the 1974 oil crisis. The present recession has taken its toll of the number of companies applying for awards in the export section with only 818 firms in the export section with only 818 firms believing they were worthy of consideration this

One of the significant features of this year's awards is the number of small companies recognized for their achievements with about 45 per cent of winning firms employing less than 200. A typical example of the effectiveness of small companies is Micro Focus, a London-based software firm, which has been established for software furm, which has been established for less than six years. Last year it became the first software company to win an award for a technological breakthrough. This time its award is for export achievement with almost three quarters of the firm's tutnover earned abroad. It

- FOR EXPORT Aerocoldform; Aircraft and Instrument Demisting; Aircraft Furnishing Inter-West Germany's 1983 gross national product (GNP) will rise 3 per cent in real, or price adjusted terms, from 1982, Dr Ono Lambsdorff, Economics Minister, predicted opening of the Hanover Industrial Fair last night.

Aircraft Furnishing International; Alvis; Aston Electronic; Developments; Aviation Traders (Engineering); BICC Power Cables: BS. Software: The Ballantyne Sportswear Co; Baxter Fell Northfleet; Beaufort Air-Sea Equipment; Bibby Line; The Hanover Industrial Fair last night.

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Navigation Systems Department of Ferranti; Donald Turkey's foreign debt stood kel & Parters; GEC Electrical st \$15,090m (£8,672m) in April, the central bank announced in Ankara yesterday. Only \$2.100m of the debt Co, The Henderson Busby Parmership; Holborn Law Tutors; R. G. Holland & Co; Hughes Tool Company; Huntleigh Medical; The Incinerator Company; Instrumental Colour Systems; Marine Services; James Johnson Marine Services, Johnston cision Division of R H P Pipes; Kodak; Landis Lund; Bearings; The Avionics Division of Racal-Decca Navi-I apointe Broacu Co Division (sion or Racal Diction of Staveley Machine Tools; gator; Racal Security; Rankife Science Research; somes & Rapier; Redland Liquid Plastics; The Actuation Division of Lucas Aeroturing Co (Pashions); Ruston Turking Shackleton

An even smaller firm, with a team of only six, has been similarly honoured for its efforts in the production and export of military pyrotechnics, and other defence equipment. Turnover at Richard Unwin International has grown from less than £150,000 in 1979 to around £2.5m last year. Among its product range are simulation systems to reproduce rifle and machine gun fire; mortar, grenade and shell bursts and larger scale

Another successful small firm is the Clwyd based Tiger Tim products which has won an award for export achievement through the sale of kerosene firelighters to the Middle East, Europe and even the Southern Pacific.

This year one company has received a double award. The Actuation Division of Lucas Aerospace has gained an award for its sales of hydraulic and pneumatic actuation systems used in aircraft secondary flying controls, for which it also won an award last year. At the same time the division wins a technology award for its innovative work in gas turbine engine re-heat nozzle and thrust reverse actuation systems. This

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To be or not to be ... actor John Cleese stars in an industrial training film made by his company,

The "Slimline" division of

ARC Concrete, Bristol — for research and development of

technology in precast concrete.

City Technology, London — for technological innovation in

the development of oxygen

Coles Cranes, Sunderland

Video Arts. A series of such films produced by the company has won a Queen's Award

Monk; Morgan Grenfell; Division of Smiths Industries

Morris Hanbury Jackson Le
May; National Supply Company (UK); The Licensing Division of Netlon; T. P. Tim Products; Richard

O Sullivan and Partners; A. Unwin International; V. G. H. Philpot & Sons (Milk Instruments; Video Arts; Powders); Pirelli General; Wallwin (Pumps); Watercraft; Portals Holdings; The Fragrance Division of PPF International; Quest American

2 Taking arms.

OPERATIONAL ALTERNATIVES

recently became the first British company to export micro-computer software to the Japanese. technology has contributed greatly to aircraft safety through lower fire risk and engine weight. This year the export awards recognise some of the trading difficulties British companies have encountered. Seldom seen among the list of export winners are hotel groups, but one such is Comfort Hotels International which operates 27

hotels in Britain and overseas. The awards also recognize the achievements of the independent Holborn Law Tutors, a college which provides full time degree and professional training for British and overseas students. The college has won the award for the export of its services to some 15 countries mainly in SE Asia

and Africa. Merchant bankers Morgan Grenfell win an award, for the second time. It exports its sevices to most parts of the world, in particular to North America, South-east Asia, South America and the communist countries.

The judges, under the chairmanship of Sir Douglas Wass, joint head of the Home Civil Service, were generally impressed with the overall standard of entries. They believed it was the recession rather than any lack of interest

the recession rather than any lack of interest which kept entries at a low level this year. They stressed that the technology awards are made, not for inventions, but for products with a definite market and a proven record.

Laser-Scan Laboratories, Cambridge — for innovation in the design and manufacture of laser-based computer peripherals and systems.

The Actuation Division of Lucas Aerospace, Wolverhamp-ton - for technological innovation in gas turbine engine reheat nozzle and thrust reverse actuation systems.

May and Baker, Dagenham

- for technological innovation in the development and pro-duction of 'FLAGYL' (metroni-

The Mining Research and Development Establishment of the National Coal Board, Burton-upon-Trent — awarded jointly to the Mining Research and Development Establish. and Development Establish-ment and Salford Electrical instruments for the development and practical application of a natural gamma radiation

ford — for the development and production of a fuel efficiency monitor which speedily analyses essential information on boiler or furnace combustion efficiency.

Osel Offsbore Systems Engineering, Great Yarmouth
for its development and production of one man tethered submersibles.

cessor technolog in the pro-duction of a portable desktop computer aided design ma-

Ferranti, Ferry Road, Edin-burgh — for the development an production of a Combined Map and Electonic Display (COMED) for use in military outstanding contribution fuel efficiency in the operation of turbofan aircraft engines.

TSL Thermal Syndicale, Wallsend—for technological innovation in the manufacture translucent fused silica

Neotronics, Bishop's Stort-

Plant Breeding Institute, Cambridge — for innovation in

breeding the nematode-resist-ent main-crop potato variety, Maris Piper.

Racal-Redac, Tewkesbury

for innovation in the appli-cation of advanced micro-pro-

The Derby Englacering Function of Rolls-Royce, Derby — in recognition of an

for development and protelescopic boom design.

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Business Editor

Bed, breakfast and a hangover

The finance bill's proposals on indexation of capital gains tax (CGT) are developing into classic example of the gulf between theoretical correctness and practical disaster.

Acting with the best of fiscal intentions, the Chan-cellor wants to end the injustice of charging paper gains to capital gains tax by indexing their measurement to the rate of inflation.

But this proposal has caused widespread anxiety: first, over how it affects the popular investment practice of "bed and breakfasting," and second, the compli-cations it causes for future calculations of the tax.

Bed and breakfasting is a means of avoiding or limit-ing CGT through buying and selling shares in the same stock exchange account. As such, and in the



Sir Geoffrey Howe Intentioned

current phase of the Inland Revenue's assault on tax avoidance, severely restricting it comes as no surprise. Unfortunately, it is emerg-ing that this measure is simply a by-product of the proposal to index CGT and end the pooling arrange-ments for calculating the Stockbrokers admit that

the arrangement was a source of revenue for them. but expressing irritation at how the restrictions have been introduced. Inland Revenue officials deny there was any specific intention to strike at bed and breakfasting. Instead. they say, indexation will make their calculation of CGT liabilities more com-

This is the rub, however, for stockbrokers who service private clients. The increased complexity of CGT means computer programmes will have to be rewritten, in most cases at considerable expense. There is strong support for official stock exchange representations to the GovernThe gut reaction is that if CGT costss more to calculate and raises less revenue, why not scrap it? The Revenue's argument is that the combination of indexation and raising the exemption limit from £3,000

to £5,000 will mean it can administer the tax with fewer staff. This dose not absolve the Government from the confusion it has caused. Sources close to the Treasury have blamed the confusion on poor management at the Finance Bill planning stage. legislators to clarify the situation.

Exports

More advice

Small firms may be finan cially hard-pressed at the moment, but there is no shortage of well-intentioned assistance from both the Government and private sectors. Following the Business Opportunities gramme and industry's drive to increase the number of non-executive directors on company boards, there is now the establishment of the Export and Overseas Trade Advis-ory Panel (EOTAP).

The company, formed under the auspices of the Institute of Export, intends to provide a new style of advice to management seek ng to develop profitable business overseas. For a payment of £75 a day plus expenses, companies will be able to call upon the knowledge and advice of each of the panel's 33 members who include five former ambassadors, six former consuls general, and various former commercial counsellors, High Com-

missioners, export consultants and industrialists.
According to Mr Harold Yates, vice chairman of the institute's council and chairman of the new company, the panel hopes to bridge the gap between potential exporters — and potential exporters - and existing exporters who may have specific problems and the services that are available in Government departments and organiza-tions like the British Overseas Trade Board (BOTB).

The formation of the panel, however, says as much about the apparent inaccessibility of the mass of useful commercial information stored in Whitehall as it does about the lack of export knowledge on the part of the

BOUSTEAD

Optimism after first quarter

Boustead, the commodity trading and engineering group, reports that first quarter trading this year shows no definite upturn but it detects some signs of

But for the last year to December pretax profits tumbled to £1.42m from £2,1m. Sales in the period rose 16 per cent to £44.44m. The final dividend has been held unchanged at 1.78p gross and the group's shares moved a 1p up to 61p.

Operating profits were down at £1.66m, compared with £2.88m, but interest charges were up at £1m against £454,000. Investment income was nearly doubled at

£525,000. Associated companies profits were £303,000, compared with a loss last time of £262,000.

Mr Alan Charton, chairman, says results reflect the profits of the control of the contr worldwide recession. In the United Kingdom, he adds, industrial operations were hadly hit in the first half but recovered in the latter six months. Boustead's specialist manufacturer, King Trailers, benefited particularly with more than doubled profits.

The group's Singapore companies, notably the trading and shipping subsidiaries, achieved satisfactory results despite increased competition. But the Boustead Singapore Group saw profits down 31 per cent, mainly due to more trading at the

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national; Quest Automation Systems; The R H P Pre-cision Division of R H P

Higher overseas tax had an adverse impact on earnings per share at 1.32p.



Mr John Oakley (above) yesterday announced that he will resign as chairman of the troubled toy-making group Berwick Timpo at its annual

meeting next month.

More than two weeks ago the board called for the resignation of Mr Kenneth Simmonds, the company's group managing director, after just over two years in the intermediate. the job. The call came after

Berwick reported a pre-tax loss of £467,000 for the last year and passing the final

the Malaysianization pro- | 1979. The Fraud Squad is

HAMILTON OIL

Two shutdowns

Hamilton Oil Great Britain the United Kingdom offshoot of the United States Hamil ton Brothers company, which flopped as a stock market

newcomer last year from £18.8m to £13.1m.
The group, most of whose income comes from a 28.8 per cent interest in the North Sea's Argyll field, suffered from two shutdowns during the year. One was a sched-uled eight-week stoppage for structural modifications to the platform. The other, for six weeks, was caused by unusually severe storms.

BODYCOTE

Dividend held

Bodycote International, the Manchester-based protective clothing and metal treatment specialists surprized the market yesterday with better than-expected pretax profits of £917,000 against £1.08m last year. The share price rose 3p to 58p as Bodycote announced that dividends had been held at last year's level of 2.85p gross, making 5.17p for the year. The yield is 9.8

dividend.

Mr Oakley will be succeeded by Mr William Everard known as a "company doctor" who will join as group managing director and chairman. Singapore Group saw profits down 31 per cent, mainly due to poor trading at the Australian subsidiary.

Last year the group sold all its plantation activities with the sale of its Taiping plantation in Malaysia under subsidiary which Berwick closed in capital employed.

group managing director and come through the year health ier although smaller, owing to the board's policy of disinvestment from vulner-able textile activities, which produce high sales but an almost negligible return on capital employed.

Provision for taxation was £196,000 against £373,000 in 1980. After a deduction of

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Earnings per share before deduction of extraordinary items of £1.08m were 9.02p against 8.88p last year. The extraordinary items were £600,000 charged as losses attributable on closure of William Denby and £488,000 as a result of other losses and rationalization costs:

WILLIAM LOW £3.2m cash call

William Low, the Dundeebased supermarkets chain which last year closed its troubled fast food subsidiary, MacTatties, is calling on shareholders for \$2.2m.

With the rights issue, at 145p a share, comes a pretax profits forecast for the yeat to September of not less than £2.2m compared with £1.8m earned on the previous year This brings Low closer to its former strength when in 1979 it made £2.4m before tax.

The cash call, on one for three basis, is a short term measure to bolster the effect of the group's interest charg-es and reduce borrowings but will add to its capital base. Low's shares dipped to 198p. Low's shares dipped to 1989.
Low, Scotland's largest independent supermarket retailer, reports half-time profits ahead at £1.05m in the six months to March compared with £835,756. Sales from continuing activities from continuing activities for the state of £62 15m state of £52 15m state of £52

erest charges were substan tially up at £313,900 from £25,000.

1980. After a deduction of 25,000.

19,000 for minorities, The full year improvement in profits is expected to be shareholders against £701,000 made with only a small last time. development projects but this will grow over the next few years. On this basis the directors are predicting a final dividend up at 8.4p gross — from 7.7p — making a total of 11.4p gross.

MICROWAVES

USM listing Continental Microwaye

(Holdings), a leading munu-facturer of radio frequency electronic systems, used extensively in television and defence equipment, is set to come to the Unlisted Securities Market following the placing by brokers Stock Beech of 248,000 25p ordi-

nary shares at 260p.
This represents 24 per cent
of the total issued share capital, giving the group a capital, giving the group a market capitalisation of £2.67m. Of the shares being placed, 180,000 are being sold by existing shareholders, with 68,000 new shares, raising a net £110,000 of new capital. Dealings on the USM are due to begin on April 28.

UNITED PARCELS

rose to £63.16m against £57m record profits for the year to January 30. Pretax profits rose from £5.04m to £6.05m, held at 3p gross.

At the operating level to £40.19m. The board, led by profits were £1.47m, against £1m, but losses from the has declared a final dividend discontinued fast foods busi-ness were down at £109,376 payment of 4.5p. This is compared with £196,180. Int-unchanged from 1981.

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PLATINUM was at £188.15 (\$335.00) a troy ounce Sit.VER closed steady at lower levels.

Buillon marker (fixing levels).

Spot. 406.20n per frey ounce (United States conis equivalent, 719.10); three months, 419.800 (746.20e): six months, 434.259 (773.50e): one year, 461.50p (826.40e). London Helal Exchange.

Cash, 406.5-7 Sp: three months, 420.20.59, Sales, 56 lots of 10.000 frey ounces each. Morning — Cash, 406.5-7 Op: three months, 419.8-30 Op. Settlement, 407 Op Sales, 68 lots.

SUGAR, — The London dally arice of "raws" was £5 00 lower at £139; the "whites" price was £5.00 lower at £159; the 1555 Futures £5 per tonne; May 128 80-129 00; Aug 154.65-154 70; 159.50-139 60; Jan 142.50 143.75; March 150.10-150 20; May 153 75-154.00; Aug 159.00-160 00 Sales 8.288 lots, including 87 options 15A prices [April 16]; daily, 9 loc; 15-day average, 10 28c.

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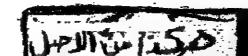
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RACING: EPSOM DERBY TRIALS AND JOCKEY CLUB VERDICTS Why Count Pahlen's Derby case has no firm foundation

By Michael Phillips, Racing Correspondent

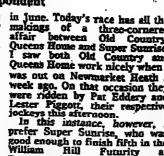
Count Pahlen won the Bine year when one rancied French is Riband trial Stakes at Epsom yesterday, but in beating Steel Bay by only a neck, with Vin St. As far as Count Pahlen is concerned the key factor will be the state of the ground on the third place he die not impress as a potential winner of the Derby should. The leading bookmakers also remained unmoved and kept his price static at 12-1; However, there was yet still more money around for Golden and Vincent. O'Brien's "He was just alright today, but

should. The leading bookmakers also remained unmoved and kept his price static at 12-1.

However, there was yet still move money around for Golden fleece and Vincent. O'Erien's Sijinsky colt is now down to 6-1 all round. Having seen Golden fleece muck around at the start and all but refuse to enter the stalls before his only race as a two-year old at Leopardstown last September I had reservations coacerning his temperament. However, discussing his latest victory at the Curragh on Saturday Pat Eddery, the jockey, yesterday paid a tribute to O'Brien's staff at Ballydoyle. They have done a great job on him during the winter. One frumer went craxy in the stall next door on Saturday yet Golden Fleece remained unmoved and gave me the feeling that he would have been happy to spend all day there' Eddery said.

His remarks are not only very encouraging from the long term point of view, but also extremely valid regarding the Derby because a placid disposition is important during the tiresome preliminaries at Epsom where the crowd and the noise can cause some to boil over, as we saw last

Count Pahlen won the Blue year when one fancied French in June. Today's race has all the diband trial Stakes at Epsom runner failed to start and another makings of a three-cornered jesterday, but in beating Steel ran abysmally. Bay by only a neck, with Vin St. As far as Count Pahlen is Queen Home and Super Sumise. Benet a length and a half away in concerned, the key factor will be a same both Old Country and baird place he die not impress as the state of the ground on the large sum on Newmarket Heath a



I saw both Old County and Queens Home work nicely when I was out on Newmarket Heath a week ago. On that occasion they were ridden by Pat Eddery and Lester Piggott, their respective jockeys this afternoon.

In this instance, however, I prefer Super Sunrise, who was good enough to finish fifth in the William Hill Futurity at Doncaster last autumn, only five lengths behind the winner, Count Pahlen. Before that Super Sunrise had won the Haynes Hanson and Clark stakes at Newbury as well as a race for maidens at Newcastle. By the Ascot Gold cup winner Sagaro and out of a granddaughter of All Aboard, whose brother Ocean Swell won the Derby! Super Sunrise seems certain to stay a mile and a half without batting an eyelid.

The least said about this year's City and Suburban stakes the better. It has attracted arguably the worst field in living memory. Show A Leg the topweight was sold for 34,000 guineas last autumn and bought by Ian Balding on Paul Mellon's behalf to act as Glint of Gold's lead horse and pacemaker. Judged on Glint of Gold's victory in the John Porter Stakes at Newbury last Saturday Show A Leg has already done his job well.



Some neck: Count Pahlen and Geoff Baxter hold the challenge of Steel Bay and John Reid in the Blue Riband Trial Stakes at Epsom yesterday.

Carson's appeal is upheld

Willie Carson, the royal Jockey, yesterday won his appeal against a three-day riding ban. Carson then dashed from Jockey Club headquarters in London to Epsom races where he rode

Epsom races where he rode Suggestive to victory.

Carson's suspension was imposed by the Haydock Park stewards on April 7 when they adjudged his mount, Satin Grande, to have impeded the fouth-placed Prince Warren in the Emple Warren Selfie Marie 19 the Frank Wooton Selling Handi-cap. After hearing evidence from Carson, and viewing the patrol film of the race, the Jockey Club steward's allowed the appeal. Carson said afterwards: "Jus-Carson said afterwards: "Justice has been done. That's what the Jockey Club is all about, justice. I'm a very happy with the

struct. I'm a very happy with the outcome."

Steve Smith Eccles, the National Hunt jockey, was fined 1460 by the disciplinary committee of the Jockey Club for improper use of the whup. Smith Eccles was reported to the Jockey Club by the Newbury stewards for his riding of Secretary General in the Woodhay Handicap Steeplechase

The disciplinary committee, after hearing evidence from Smith Eccles as well as one of the Newbury stewards and a Jockey Club veterinary officer, found that the jockey was "guilty of improper riding by wirtue of his incorrect use of the whip in the race", a breach of rule 153(111).

Prince Bless should rule at Cheltenham

By John Karter

Cheltenham this afternoon provides the perfect answer to those Flat racing elitists who are only too eager to write National Hunt racing off as dead and buried at this time of year. Today's programme, with three races sponsored by the Irish bookmaker Sean Graham (there must be a joke there somewhere), shows that the sport is not merely alive but kicking to such an extent that even Epsom must look to its laurels in terms of entertainment value.

One of the features of this NH

bookmaker Seam Graham (there bookmaker Seam Graham Group Hardle at Newbury in his most recent run.

There is no logical reason to believe that Sandaley will reverse the form with his Smith's horse, however, and a much more potent threat appears to be Kings Parade, who has improved throughout the season and won the competitive Greenham Group Hurdle at Newbury in his most recent run.

Fulke Walwyn's horses have been in superb form and one of these Prince Bless, who is already being spoken of as a possible future champion, can swell the kitry further by taking the Sean Graham Limited Handicap Hurdle.

Prince Bless finished fast to

cap Hurdle.

Prince Bless finished fast to take seventh place behind another of Mrs Smith's runners, Shiny Copper, in the Triumph Hurdle at the Cheltenham Festival last month. That race was run in very soft ground and he showed his appreciation of faster underfoot conditions when, on his next appearance, he sprinted past the unbeaten Rushmoor and a top-class field to win at Liverpool.

Fulke Walwyn's horses have been in superb form and one of his most faithful serverts, the 11-year-old Dramatist, near out of the first two in six raes, could well defy top weight in the Sean Graham Handicap Stephechase. Dramatist beat Chimila in the mud at the Festival meeting, but will not be inconveniented by today's faster surface. Don't Forget, who won impressibly at Wetherby recently, look, a dangerous rival and Silvernith could run well off his low handicap mark.

The Sean Graham George Duller Hurdie may fail to Southdown Spirit, who beat to seful Le Gran Brun at Newbundand Handther Walwyn runner, the aptly-named Man of the Momen, looks the danger.

Epsom programme

Tole Double: 3.05 and 4.10, Treble: 2.30, 3.35 and 4.45 [Television (ITV); 2.30, 3.5 and 3.35] 2.0 BANSTEAD STAKES (2-y-o maidens: \$1,595; 50 (5 nunners)

Evens Yukon Star, 6-4 Mediaon, 10 Walton Heath, 16 Maurilax, 20 Lacy River. 2.30 WARREN STAKES (3-y-o: £4,495; 1 1/2m) (6) O WARREN STANCES CAPTURE OF A STANCES CAPTURE OF A

PORBLE Old Country (Sat. 28b) one-paced finel film, 3rd, bin SL-to-Montekin Geven, 8 ran Geodwood, Sepi 29, 71, soil. Queen's fitome (3-4) lav, faded final fun, 6th, bin 13-b. | b. Paternoster Flow (no. 7th) Neumarket, Oct 31, 1 fun, good to soil. Rejisaan (9-4), led finel fur, easily, won 4t, is from Seganore (no. 4th) and Steel Venture (no. 4th) 11 ran Thirst, April 16, 1 km, irm. Super Semilae (9-0) ran on one pice, 5th, bin 4 %, io Count Pahlen (level) full ran Deucaster. Oct 24, fun; good 1 yet Steel (5th) 1, fav; stayed an well, won 11, 12! Iron Rejisaan (gree 10th) 5 ran Leisenter, March 30, 1 fun, good to acit.

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3.35 GREAT SURREY HANDICAP (23,147: 6f 9yds) (10)

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4.10 HYDE PARK STAKES (2-y-o: £1,604: 50) (6) 11 GRENFELL BOY (D) Birs I McCormach G Hunter 9-5
41 MAARRY (D) CC Gevesta R Harmon 9-5 minus
2 LEADENHALL LAD (P Merodew) R Bose 8-11
4 HASHWANE (Mrs. J Merrodew) G Lewis 6-11
RUSTIC ART (H Jose) A Ingham 8-11
EYEMNG STANDARD (Mrs. W McAlpine) R Smyth 8-4

4-6 Marriv, 5-2 Granfall Boy, 5 Leadenhall Lad, 20 Ruistic Art, Evening Str. 4.45 KINGSWOOD STAKES (3-y-o: £1,788; 1m 110yds) (8)

Laurel rececourse is offering come through successes in the owners the chance to win \$1m by Rothmans International at Wood-winning the Washington DC bine, Canada, on October 17 and International on November 6, New York's Turf Classic on Nichael Phillips writes, Involving racing in England, France, Canada and New York, as well as Maryland the surprised ways horse to have come nearest to racing in England, France, Canada and New York, as well as Maryland, the guranteed purse will be paid to the owner of any horse which sweeps on of two triple-race series culminating in the International itself. the International itself.

In Europe the first two legs will comprise the King George VI

In the event of no horse winning the triple-race series the international will carry \$250,000 and Queen Elizabeth Diamond in prize money, of wh \$150,000 will go to the winner.

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Epsom results

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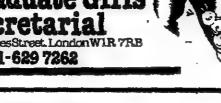
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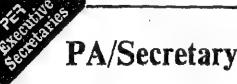
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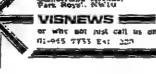
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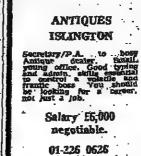
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The law that changes nothing

Residential property by Baron Phillips

The main provisions of the 1979 state Agents Act, which comes into force on May 3, have provoked an angry response from a number of well established lished estate agents and pro-fessional bodies. Not because they object to its controls but because they do not believe it goes far enough.

Despite attempts by Parliament over almost a century to restrict their activities, estate agents enjoy almost total free-dom. The last legislation affect-ing estate agents came into operation in November 1970. This banned the fixing of fees by groups of agents or professional bodies.

The latest legislation attempts The latest legislation artempts to provide protection for money and deposits. Clients' money must be kept in clearly identified accounts and be properly recorded. Agents will have to payinterest where the amount of the deposit is more than 2500 and the interest at least £10.

The Act also calls for full ine act also calls for full disclosures of an agent's private interests in a deal; bankrupts may only be employees of an agency; and pre-contract deposits will be banned in Scotland.

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The Department of Trade says The Department of Trade says that failure to comply with these requirements may lead to criminal proceedings; or to banning action by the Director General of Fair Trading, or both.

But what really does it all add up to? Although agents sometimes ask for a small holding decorit as an act of faith that the

times ask for a small holding deposit as an act of faith that the would-be purchaser really means to go ahead, few people actually pay out the money. They are far more likely to hand the deposit to the vendor's solicitor.

Among the critics of the Act is Mr Kenneth Forbes, technical officer of the Incorporated Society of Valuers and Auction-

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with any person, before accepting instructions to sell his house, the commission to be paid, the circumstances in which it will be payable and any other liabilities to be incurred by the property owner. An agent must also disclose any personal inter-est in the transaction.

its achievements are far too

Mr Stephens says: "These measures may help to reduce the risk of misunderstanding and protect the public from the few unscrupulous agents. Reputable agents are not being asked to do anything they are not already

Mr Stephens accuses Mrs Sally Oppenheim, the former Minister for Consumer Affairs, of interpreting the Act and the evidence of professional bodies in a way which will give little benefit to the public. Like Mr Forbes he is worried that the Act lays down no minimum standards of com-

"It still remains open, therefore, for anybody without qualifications or experience to go into
business as an estate agent,
surveyor, valuer or auctioneer
because none of these titles are
protected by statute," he says.
The public had more to lose
from incompetence then from from incompetence than from dishonesty.

Both men are scathing about the Act's limited protection for the public from losing money lodged with an estate agent. Mr Forbes points out that the main professional bodies are a bond. professional bodies run a bonding scheme to protect the public if an agent goes bankrupt or absconds with money.

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tion what an agent does to earn "One is appalled that section 16

(governing professional stan-dards and competency) is not being implemented", says Mr Forbes. He agrees that while it used to be commonplace for a

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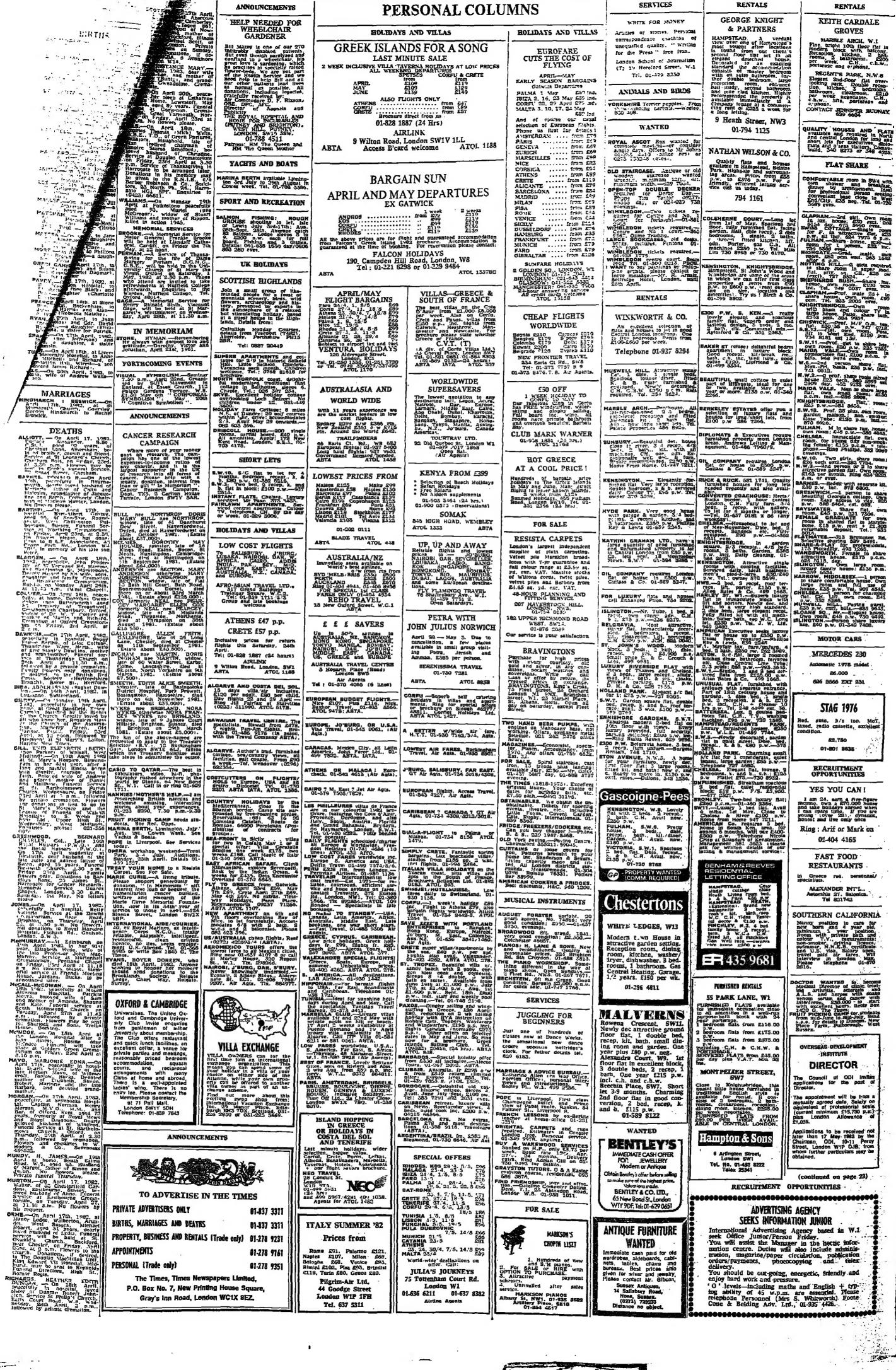
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Sant e phone the 7.05 Open University: Juggling with Physics. 7.30 Exploring Frequency Space, 7.55 Closedown. 12.30 News After Noon with Richard Whitmore and Moira Stuart. The weather prospects from Michael Fish. 12.57 Regional news (London and SE only. Financial report and a news LLondon and SE only. Financial report and a news summary with subtiles). 1.00 Pebble Mill at One. Included this lunchtime is cookery spot Just Desserts in which cookery expert Michael Smith regales us with mouthwatering recipes for sweets. 1.45 Over the Moon. A See-Saw programme for the very young . presented by Sam Dale (r). 2.00 Closedown, 2.15 presence by Sam Dale (r). 2.00 Closedown, 2.15
Racing from Cheltenham. Julian Wilson introduces
the Sean Graham George Duller Handicap Hurdle
(2.30); the Sean Graham Handicap Steeplechase
(3.05); and the Sean Graham Hurdle (3.40); The commendators are Peter O'Sullevan and Richard piman. 3.53 Regional news (not London).

3.55 Play School. For the under fives (shown

4 20 Cartoon: Scooby Doo, Where Are You? (r). 4.40 Play Away. Music, fun and games presented by Brian Cant (r). 5.05 John Craven's Newsround. World news for

5.10 A Little Silver Trumpet. Episode four and

6.50 Young Musician of the Year. The final of

Music in Manchester. The winner will

7.30 Film: Swallows and Amezons (1974) starring Virginia McKenna and Ronald

the piano class introduced by Humphrey . Burton from the Royal Northern College of

receive a cheque for £400 and a place in

Fraser. Arthur Ransome's famous adventure story about a group of children on a boating holiday in the Lake District.

wide introduced by Sue Lawley and

earlier on BBC2).

young people.

Dichard Kershaw.

Sunday's concerto final.

6.40 Open University: Matha: Functions. 7.05 Argument on Television: 2. 7.30 Functions and Graphs. 7.55 Closedown, 10.20 Gharber, 10.45 Closedown, 11.00 Play School, THE ST

BBC 2

Alan Badel: BBC 2 9.30pm.

5.10 Cloister to Cloister? Part one

5.55 The Sage of Noggin the Nog.

6.05 Langley South. Bob Langley is on board the Ice Patrol ship

Endurance, trapped in ice in the Weddell Sea.(r)

Bronowski and the Hidden Structure.(r)

7.25 One Hundred Great Paintings. Edwin Mulins discusses Goya's The Naked Maja.

5.40 Hawk of the Wilderness* Episode 11: Valley of the Skulls.

6.35 The Ascent of Man. Dr

7.35 News with sublitles.

of an examination into the role of a barrister.(r)

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9.30 Cartoon: Barney Google and Snutty Smith in Judhald for President. 9.40 The World We Live In. A history of the horse. 10.05 The History Makers: Elizabeth the First. 10.30 Einstein. 11.25 Paint Elizabeth the First. 10.30 Einstein. 11,25 Paint Along with Nancy. Landscapes (r). 11.55 The Bubblies (r). 12.00 The Munch Bunch. Adventures of animated vegetables. 12.10 Rainbow. Learning with puppets. 12.30 Play It Agein. Ian Carnichaet chooses citips from some of his favourite films. 1,00 News. 1.20 Thames news. 1,30 Crown Court. Continuing the case of the young man accused of assaulting his former schoolmaster. 2,00 After Noon Plus. Mary Parkinson investigates cotton clothes for children with sensitive skin. 2,25 Racing from Epoom. Brough Scott introduces the Warren Stakes (2,30); the City and Suburban Warren Stakes (2.30); the City and Suburbar Handleap (3.05); and the Great Surrey Handleap (3.35) 3.50 Definition (r).

4.20 Animals in Action. Cold blooded reptiles. 4.45 Murphy's Mob. Epacde 15 of the drama series about a football club.

5.15 Mr Herlin. Comic adventures of a wizard disguised as a garage manager. 6.00 Thames news.

6.25 Help! Viv Taylor Gee with news of Ujima, a charity that provides cheap temporary accommodation for young black people with housing difficulties. 6.35 Crossroads. Paul Ross, the new restaurant manager, brushes with Jill Harvey.

7.00 Where There's Life. Drs Stopparti and Buckman visit a Texas surgeon whose passion is rodeos. We go with him to the operating theatre and to a rodeo and hear his unusual views on medicine and people. 7.30 Coronation Street. Jack Duckworth gets involved with Bet Lynch. What will be the reaction of his wile?

8.00 Secombe with Music. An hour of music and

laughter. Among his guests are Roy Castle, Tim Rice and Julian Lloyd Webber.

9.00 A Party Political Broadcast on behalf of the Conservative Party.

9.05 News with John Humphrys.

9.30 Rough Justice: The Case of Little Boy .
Size. Martin Young investigates the case in which John Walters was found guilty of assaulting a young girl on a trein between . Wimbledon and Waterloo. The victim said her assa 9ins tall slimly built and this was backed up by three railwaymen who saw the man board the train. Walters is 6ft tall and weighs 141/2 stone. .

10.00 Sportsnight introduced by Harry Carpenter.
Alan Weeks reports from Helsinki on the
World Ice Hockey Championship Qualifying
match between Russis and the United
States. Harry Carpenter introduces
highlights of last night's fight between the
flyweights Charlie Magri of Great Britain
and Ron Claneros from the United States. 10.50 A Question of Guilt. The first episode of a

three-part reconstruction of the events that led, in 1752, to Mary Blandy awaiting her execution in Oxford Castle.

11.45 News headlines and weather.

7.40 The Master Game. The second part of the chess match between Miguel Quinteros and Walter Browne. 8.10 Chronicle: The Wreck of the Mary Rose. The story of the Tudor warship and the work involved in its restoration.(r) .9.00 Butterflies. Comedy stories about a middle aged couple and two late-teenaged sons. Tonight their younger son, Adam, has been jilled by his girlfriend and refuses to eat.(r)

9.30 The Woman in White. Episode two of the mystery story, faithfully adapted from the novel by Wilkie Collins, introduces the two villans, Sir Percival Glyde (John Shrapnel) and Count Fosco (the late Alan Badel).

10.25 Lindean Mill Glass. The story of David Kaplan and Annika Sandstrom who saw the potential of a deretict mill while on holiday in the Borders. They converted it into a glass workshop where they now produce handmade glasswere sing traditional Scandinavian 10.40 A Party Political Broadcast on

behalf of the Conservative Party. 10.45 Newsnight. Ends at 11.35. 9.00 | Remember Nelson. Chapter two: Passion. However temous Admiral is seen through the eyes of the husband he cuckoided, Sir William Hamilton. While recovering from wounds inflicted at the Battle of the Nile, Nelson falls for the young wife of his host, the British Ambassador to the Court of Naples. John Clements plays Hamilton, Geraldine James his wife Emma and Kenneth Colley is Nelson.

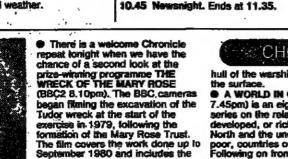
10.00 A Party Political Broadcast on behalf of the Conservative Party.

10.05 News.

10.50 Sports Special introduced by Brian Moore.
There are highlights from one of the two
European Football competition matches European Footsal competition matches teaturing one of the surviving English teams. Aston Vills meet Anderlecht in the second leg of European Cup semi-final in Belgium white Spurs travel to Spain to play Barcelona in the second leg of the European Cup Winners' Cup semi-final. 12.00 Superstar Profile. Catherine Laporte

Coolen talks to Close Encounters director Steven Spielberg (r).

12.30 Close with Dr Joseph Needham.



John Clements as Sir William Hamilton (ITV 9.00pm)

CHOICE hull of the warship is finally lifted to

 A WORLD IN COMMON (Radio 4 7.45pm) is an eight programme series on the relations between the developed, or rich, countries of the North and the underdeveloped, or poor, countries of the South. Following on from the Brandt story of the ship logether with an educated assessment of what life Commission findings Emanuel de Kadt, a Fellow at the Institute of was like for the soldiers and sailors Development Studies at the University of Sussex and Der aboard before it sank fifty feet under the Solent over four hundred years ago. There is a follow-up Snowman, the producer of the series, consider the relationships programme tomorrow evening which between the world's haves and the discoveries and in the autumn
Chronicle intend to transmit the first live underwater broadcast when the cach other? Over the next eight

people from all strates of society in every continent to find the answers. • In THE RIGHT TO ROAM (Radio 4 4.10pm) Starley Williamson recalls the events which occured on hikers set off from Hayfield in Derbyshire to mass trespass on the

grouse moors of Kinder Scout. This show of deflance came quickly to a predictable end. The landowners had marshalled their garnekeepers, backed up by the loca constabulary, and the two factions met head on. A gamekeeper was injured and six hikers arrested and iserved between two and six months in prison for 'riotous behaviour'. open up the countryside for the rambier, a campaign that some

Radio 4

6.00 News Briefing.
6.10 Ferming Today.
6.30 Today.
6.45 Prayer for the Day.
7.00 Today's News.
7.30 News Headines.
7.45 Thought for the Day.
8.30 News Headines.
8.33 Yesterday in Parliament.
8.57 Weather and Travel.
9.00 News.

9.00 News. 8.05 Midweek; Henry Kelly.†

10.00 News.

10.00 News.

10.00 Gardeners' Question Time.
Listeners' questions.

10.30 Daily Service.

10.45 Morning Story: "Alice Buchan and the Mifk of Human IGeomes" by Fred Urquirart. 11,00 Herrs. 11,03 Baker's Dozen. Richard Baker

with records.†
12.00 Naves.
12.02 You and Yours.
12.27 The Other Side of Silence. The nevel by Ted Allboury dramatized in eight parts (3) "A Meeting in Red Square".†
1.00 The World at One.
1.40 The Archers.
2.00 News.
2.00 News and Travel.
3.02 Play: "Bittine Thou Never Wart". A comedy by Alan Metville.
3.47 Time for Verse. George MacBeth presents more pooms about animals.

4.00 Naws. 4.02 Pleasures of the Table with

Yves Leclerc. 4.10 The Right to Roam. The history

4.10 The Right to Roam. The history of the campaign by walkers to gain access to the countryside, and the views of some present-day campaigners.

4.40 Story Time: "2 for Zacharten" by Robert O'Brien (7).

5.00 PM.

5.55 Weather and Programme.

6.00 News and Financial Report.

6.30 Frank Muir Goes Into ...

Cookery.†

7.00 News.

7.00 News.
7.05 The Archers.
7.05 Checkpoint (new series). Roger Cooke investigates listaners' experiences of suspect dealing

7.45 A World in Common (new senss). The first of eight documnary programmes exam-ming the relationships between the richer and the poorer

countries of the world.

8.15 Voices in Harmony. Marion Foster presents a showcase for

amateur choirs.

8.45 Edgar Hoover — Fatien Idol.
Anthony Howard presents a
creical profile of the founder of the FBI, who died 10 years 9.30 Kaleidoscope presented by

Paule Vaughan. The programme includes a review of the London Silver 1580-1780 exhibition at the Museum of London which waces the styles of three generations of the Countaid family of goldsmiths; and Terry Mands: family of goldsmiths; and Terry Hands's new production of Much Ado About Nothing for the Royal Shakespeare Company in Stratford.

9.59 Weather.
10.00 The world Tonight.
10.30 Detective. A story of crime and detection in London.
11.00 A Book at Bedime: "The Great Brown-Pericord Motor" by Sir Arthur Conan-Doyle.
11.15 The Francial World Tonight.
11.30 Today in Parliament.

17.30 Dusy and Weather.

12.00 News and Weather.

ENGLAND: VHF — with 1f above except as follows: 6.25-6.30 am Weather and Travel.

10.30-10.45 Knockdown Gin-10.30-10.45 Knockdown Gloger, Rolt Harris opens the door to children on holiday.† 1.55-2.00 pm Programma News. 5.50-5.55 PM (continued). 11.00 Study on 4. 11.30-12.10

Radio 3

6.55 Weather
7.00 News.
7.05 Your Midweek Record re-guests: Weber, Beethoven, Kahnrukov.†

9.00 News. 9.05 This Week's Bliss; records.† 10.00 BBC Northern Sympho C Northern Symphony cert: Haydn, Weber, Bar11.10 Apolio s Banquet Chamber stusic recitat: Pleyel, Schubert, Mozart, Sussmeyr.† 12.05 Sloekus end Sallinen BBC Scottesh Symphony Orchestra

Scottash Symphony Orchestra concert,†

1.00 News.

1.05 Concert Hait Two Piano recital: Ravel, Rachmaninov.†

2.00 Music Weekly.†

2.50 Franch Songs Recital: Hahn, Faure, Poulsenc.†

3.30 Stutigari Chamber Orchestra Concert: Corelli, †Endemith; records.†

4.00 Choral Evensong from Wake-held Cathedral.†

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4.55 News.
5.00 Mamly for Pleasure.†

7.00 Genes, Mind and Culture
Professor Edward Which
genetic heritage and cultural
behaviour are inextricably
lanked with three eminent
academics. Chaired by John
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8.00 Music of Eight Decades Concert direct from the Royal Festival Half, London. Part 1: Birtwistle, Berg.†
8.55 The Living Poet. Edward Kamau Brathwaite reads a selection of his poetry.
9.25 Concert Part 2: tres.†
10.10 M Blaser in Sicily. Short story 10.10 Mr Blaser in Sicily. Short story by Leonardo Sciascia 19.30 The Apotheosis of Lully

10.30 The Apotheosis of Luily Franços Couperin; record.†
11.00 News.
11.05 Britten Conducts Grainger Record.†
VHF only — Open University:
6.15am France: The Nation State, 6.35-6.55 Television and Politics (5), 11.40pm Individual Differences 12.00 Botswana: School and Development School and Development 12.20mm Positivism and the Micro World. 12.40-1.00 Hume's "Enquiry".

Radio 2

5.00 Nick Page.† 7.30 Ray Moore.† a.00 Nick Page, † 7.30 Ray Moore, †
10.00 Jamsy Young, † 12.00 Gioria
Hunnilord, † 2.00 Ed Stewart † 4.00
David Hamilton 5.45 News and Sport,
6.00 John Dunn, † 8.00 Alan Dell, 8.30
Among Your Souvenirs, † 9.15
Sentprint Serenade, † 10.00 Tom
Mennard, 10.15 Cider 'n' Song with
The Yettles (new series), 10.30 Hubert Gregg. 11.00 Brian Matthew † from midnight. 1.00 Encore Folk on 2.† 2.00-5.00 You and the Night and the

Radio 1

5.00 As Redio 2. 7.00 Mike Read.
9.00 Simon Bates, 11.30 Paul Burnett.
12.30 Frank Partindge with Newsbeat.
2.00 Steve Wright, 4.30 Peter Powell.
7.00 Radio 1 Mailbag with Anne
Nightingale. 8.00 David Jensen. 10.00
John Peel,† 12.00 midnight Close.
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REGIONAL TELEVISION VARIATIONS

Cymru/Wales 12.57pm-1.00 News of Wales, 6.00-6.25 Wales Today, 7.30-8.00 Heddiw, 8.00-8.30 QED "Proof of the Pudding". 8.30-9.00 Whatever Happened to the Likely Lads? 11.45 News and weather. Scottland 12.55pm-1.00 The Scottish News. 6.00-6.25 Reporting Scotland. 11.45 News and Weather, Northern Ireland 12.57pm-1.00 Northern Ireland News. 3.53-3.55 Northern Ireland News. 6.00-6.25 Scene Around Stz. 11.45 News and weather. England 6.00pm-6.25 Regional News Magazines. 11.50 Close. ". 8.30-9.00 Wh

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BORDER

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As Thames except: Starts 9.40 am Beachcombers, 10.05 Mr Magoo. Beachcombers. 10.05 Mr Magoo. 10.10 Incredible Hulk. 11.00-12.00 Sesame Street. 1.20 pm-1.30 News. 3.50-4.20 History Makers: Peassnis' Revolt. 5.15-5.45 Private Benjamin. 6.00 News. 6.35-7.00 Crossroeds. 11.45 Ladies' Man. 12.15 am

HTV CYMRU/WALES As HTV West except: 12.00-12.10 pm Tŷ Bach Twt. 4.20 Mr Merin, 4.50-5.15 Doctor Snwgwl, 6.00 Y Dydd. 6.15-6.35 Report Wales.

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As Thames except: Starts 12.00-12.10 pm Munch Bunch. 1.20-1.30 News. 5.20-5.45 Crossroads. 6.00 Charmel Report. 6.30-7.00 Bailoy's Brd. 10.00-10.05 Life in France. 11.45 Danger UXB. 12.45 am Epilogue, Closedown.

GRANADA

As Thames except: Starts 9.35 Vitage of the Rain Forest. 10.00-12.00 Film: A Night To Remember (Kenneth More). A dramatic reconstruction of the disaster that befelf the 'unsinkable' Titanic. 1.20 Granada Reports. 1.30 Court. 6.00 This is your Right. 6.05 Crossroads, 6.30-7.00 Granada reports. 11.45 City of Angels. 12.45 Closedown.

As Thames except: 9.30 am Sally and Jake. 9.40 Sesame Street. 10.40-12.00 Film: The Oracle (Robert Beatty, 12.00 Film: The Oracle (Robert Bealty, Virginia McKenna). A reporter in Ineland gets racing tips from an oracle living at the bottom of a well. 1,20 per-1,30 News. 5.15 Gus Honeybun, 5.20 5.45 Croserosds. 6.00 Today South West. 6.30 Tele Visws, 6.40-7-00 Sportsweek, 11.45 Danger UKB, 12.45 am Poetscript. 12.51 Crossorosa.

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GRAMPIAN

As Thames except: Starts 9.40 am First Thing, 9.45 New Avengers, 10.35 Stingray, 11.00-12.00 Sesame Street, 1.20 pm-1.30 News, 5.15-5.45 Survival, 6.00 North Yorlight, 6.35-7.00 Cressroads, 11.50 Seachd Leithage, 12.20 am News, 12.25 thean. 12.20 am News, 12.25

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ANGLIA

As Thames except: 9.30am Cartoons. 9.35 Joy of Bach. 10.35 New Fred and Barney Show 11.00 Story of Tutankhamun. 11.50-12.00 Wattoo Nution 1.1.501-1.200 watroo Watroo 1.20pm-1.30 News. 5.15-5.45 Happy Days. 6.00 About Anglia. 6.35-7.00 Crossroads. 11.45 Superstar Profile: Sylvester Stallone. 12.15am Big Question, Closedown.

YORKSHIRE

As Thames except 9.30am Sally and Jake. 9.40 Sesame Street 10.40 New Accelerators: 11.05 Animated Classics. 11.55-12.00 Captein Nemo. 1.20-1.30 News. 5.15-5.45 Private Benjamin. 6.00 Catendar, 6.35-7.00 Crossroads. 11.45 Jazz and Blues: 88 King. 12.15am Closedown.

As Thames except: Starts 9.35 am Untamed World. 10.00 Animaled Classics. 10.50 Bailey's Bird. 11.15 New Fred and Barrey Show. 11.40-12.00 European Folk Tales. 1.20-1.30 pm News, 5.15 Radio. 5.30-5.45 Coast to Coast. 6.00 Coast to Coast. 6.35-7.00 Crossroads. 11.45 Jazz & Blues: Blind John Davis. 12.20 em

CENTRAL

As Thames except: Starts 9.20 am 3-2-1 Contact. 9,50 Venture. 10.15 Angling. 10,40 Electric Theatre Show: James Coburn. 11.10-12.00 Big Shamus, Little Shamus, 1.20 pm-1.30 News, 5.15 Radio, 6.00 Crossroads, 8.25-7.00 News, 11.45 Manns 12.45

Law Report April 21 1982

Queen's Bench Division

Divisional Court

No evidence to support extradition

In re Gail Anne Jennings the first Schedule to the 1870 penalties. The prosecution would before Lord Justice Ormrod and Act. The crime relied on was manufaculation which had to be judgment.

Act. The crime relied on was manufactured for the same value and Mr Justice Forbes

[Judgment delivered April 6]

In respect of deaths caused by reckless driving, manufaughter and either been replaced or reduced to vestigial saurvial by section 1 of the Road Traffic Act in the same within the section 1 of the Road Traffic Act in the section 2 of the Road Traffic Act in the section 1 of the Road Traffic Act in the section 2 of the Road Traffic

LORD JUSTICE ORMROD, in a reserved judgment, said that the applicant was now aged 21 years. At about 7.30 pm on August 21, 1978 she was driving a car along Grand Avenue in the city of El Segundo in California. At an intersection she attempted to turn left and in so doing collided with the rear of another car. She drove on followed by the other car until at the next intersection she braked violently but failed to stop at the stop sign, continued over the intersection and collided with a cyclist, severely injuring him. As cyclist, severely injuring him. As a result he died on September 13,

She was interviewed by a police officer whom she told that the heel of her shoe had got jammed under the pedals, preventing her from stopping. He formed the opinion that she was under the influence of alcohol and that was tonfirmed by a blood sample tyken from her. She was charged with "felony drunk driving" and bailed.

On September 7, 1978 she and her mother boarded a plane for England where she had remained

On June 6, 1979 a charge of manslaughter in violation of section 192 of the Penal Code of cation is a namely, unlawfully killing a human being without malice but with gross-negligence, was added with a view to extradition proceedings. On July 24, 1979 extradition proceedings were initiated based on that

The validity of the warrant of committal to prison depended on the provisions of the Extradition Act 1870 and the terms of the Extradition Treaty of June 8, 1972 between the United Kingdom and the United States. It had to be shown that the conduct relied upon by the requesting state amounted to an "extra-dition crime" which was defined in section 26 as a crime which if committed in England would be one of the crimes described in

English law, although it could amount to the offence of causing death by reckless driving.

Alternatively, if it could it amount in law to manslaughter, the evidence in this case would not justify committal for trial in such a charge because in 1978 no reasonable jury would convict of manslaughter on such evidence.

Further, the evidence before the magistrate did not prove that the conduct alleged amounted to an extradictable offence because it did not amount to manslaughter within the meaning of Article III.

It was argued that the common-law offence of manslaughter in relation to death caused by driving vehicles was replaced by the statutory offence of causing death by reckless driving countrary to section 1 of the Road Traffic Act 1972 as amended by section 50 of the Criminal Law Act 1977, and therefore manslaughter to that extent was a absolete offence.

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found it necessary to create the statutory offence of causing death by reckless driving with a lesser maximum penalty by section 8 of the Road Traffic Act 1956.

Desmood v Thorn and Others Before Mr Justice Taylor [Judgment delivered April 7]
In considering whether there are a clear prime facing care of the control of t

In considering whether there was a clear prima facie case of criminal libel and in considering whether the public interest required the institution of proceedings against a newspaper, a judge must look at all the circumstances of the case Mr Justice Taylor said when refusing an application under section 3 of the Libel Amendment Act 1888 by Paul Desmond to bring 8 of the Libel Amendment Act 1888 by Faul Desmond to bring proceedings for criminal libel against two reporters, the editor and the proprietors of the Sunday People newspaper. It was alleged that they were all responsible for the publication of an article on November 15, 1981, headed "Bully boasts I beat a tragic deb".

As a result of the assault she went with her young son to Erm Pizzey's home for battered wives. When she returned to the applicant he made further threats as a result of which he was brought before the magistrates court. He pleaded guilty to a charge of threatening behaviour and was fined.

Jessica left him and took up with a South African mentioned in the article and there was talk of marriage but she died in October 1981 aged 34. The Daily Mail published an article which referred to beatings by her boyfriend and her stay with Eria Pizzey but the applicant's name was not mentioned.

On October 30, the applicant proper to receive evidence in support of such a proposed plea of justification and ended in a studio and ended in a proposed plea of justification and if they thought there was a strong probability or presumption the jury would acquit they could dismiss the case.

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paper was prepared to pay. As a result a reporter was despatched to interview him and was handed ment in the county jail, thus making the offence a misdemeanour and not a felony, or, more accurately, converting it to a misdemeanour by their recommendation.

An intelligent layman might consider in those circumstances that her offence did not fall within the description of a felony for the purposes of the Treaty.

Mr Michael J Mullins, solicitor, for the applicant, Mr Desmond Browne for the newspaper.

MR JUSTICE TAYLOR delivering in the article ing judgment in open court after a hearing in chambers, said that the following facts in the article were unchallenged.

Mr Bustice Forbes agreed.

Mr Justice Forbes agreed.

Solicitors: Herbert Smith & Co; Director of Public Prosecutions.

The result he said was to portray him as a habitually violent drunken bully, a braggart who was callous and unfeeling. Mr Browne pointed to a number of passages in the typescript which he said were to the same effect as the passages complained of as fabrications in the article and to other parts which were consistent with the reporters' accounts of what was said to them.

It was clear that if untrue the article was capable of constituting a serious libel. By section 6 of the Libel Act 1843 a defence to a charge of criminal libel could be raised on indictment only if there was an express plea that the words complained of were true and their publication was for the public benefit.

Section 4 of the Newspaper Libel and Registration Act 1881

Libel and Registration Act 1881 allowed committing justices in a

Circumstances of criminal libel

That approach was simplistic and wholly misconceived. The judge's function was to decide whether or not a prosecution should be instituted and to do that he was entitled and indeed bound to look at all the circumstances before coming to a conclusion as to whether there was a clear prima facie case.

was a clear prima facie case.

On the facts of the present case, it was far from satisfactory whether there was a case so clear as to be beyond argument a case to answer. The admitted facts took much of the sting out of the article and the applicant's own script contained passages which tended to confirm both the tenor and detail of the article. Further it was quite clear that this was not a case in which the public interest required the institution of criminal proceedings.

Loan to own company no settlement for tax

Inland Revenue Commissioners interest-free loan made by an individual to a company, wholly owned by him and engaged in the trade of dealing in stocks and that the income derived by an individual to a company on the investment of the loan was accordingly to be treated for the loan was accordingly to be treated for the company on the leader and not of the company of the income derived by the income derived by the company on the face of it that was an extraordinary claim.

In May 1973 he leat £3.3m to the company owned by him was not a disposition constituting a "settle-ment" within the definition in section 454 of the Income and Corporation Taxes Act 1970 and the income derived by the company from that loan could not be treated for tax purposes as the sole or substantial shapeholder. The maximum penalty was five of stantory offence and life imprisonment for manalaughter, so it was argued-that there was no nt room for the common-law offence in relation to deaths to caused by driving.

Mr Nicholls submitted that the common-law offence survived to at the extent that the prosecution had an option to charge manhad an option to

The Crown relied on that case, arguing that the company benefited from the loan without any assumption by them of any correlative obligation for the payment of interest. Accordingly it was said that there was an element of bounty in the case.

To that there was an obvious and conclusive answer. As Lord Roskill said in Chinn, a commer-cial transaction devoid of any element of bounty was not within the definition of "settlement". Something that would otherwise be a commercial transaction devoid of bounty did not cease to be such merely because he who was at the receiving end of it did not assume any correlative obligation. The loan did not involve any bounty on Mr Levy's

Clearly there was no disposi-tion, agreement or other trans-action with in the meaning of section 454(3). The com-missioners on the material before them could have come to no other conclusion. The Crown's appeal was a hopeless one and had to be dismissed.

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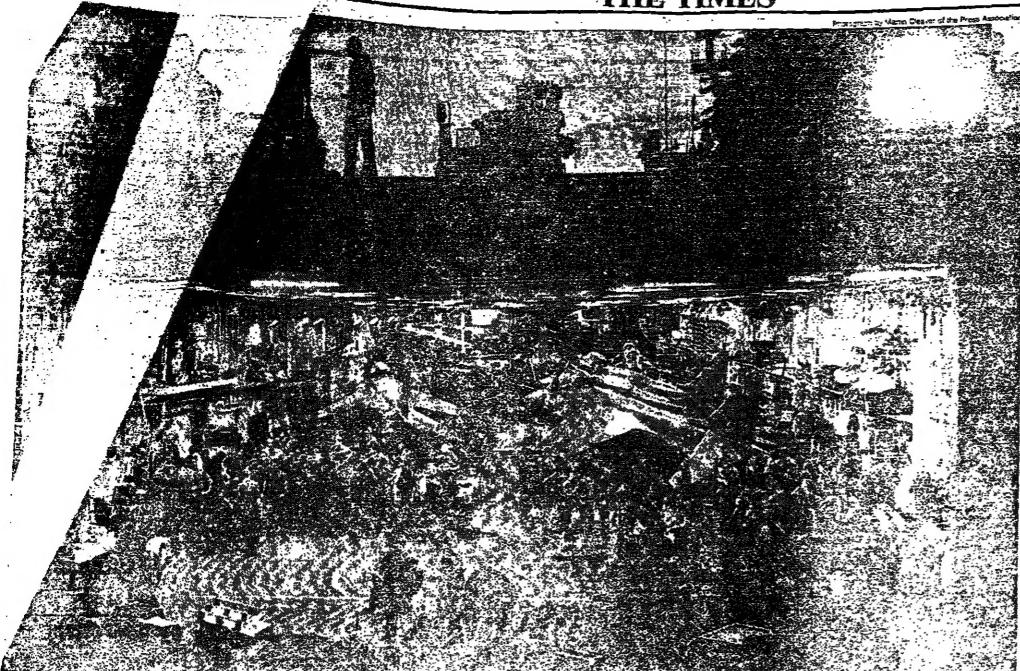
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Against a background of Sea Harriers and Sea King helicopters, Royal Marines line up at dawn for a weapons check on board HMS Harmes.

Naval force 'heads for S Georgia' but Whitehall stays silent

continued from page 1 Mr David Crouch and Sir William van Straubenzee seemed to have been among the very few who were anxious about the possible use of force. The majority of those who spoke were said to have sounded impatient at the delayed arrival of the delayed arrival of the task force in the South Atlantic and at the continued diplomatic activity.

None the less, the party as a whole is strongly in Mr David Crouch and Sir

a whole is strongly in support, for the time being, the Government's policy of seeking a diplomatic solution with the naval task force to strengthen their

backbench 1922 committee, said on ITN's News at One

two aircraft carriers, fast destroyers and several troop-ships heading towards South

ships heading towards South the pace of things by sending Georgia, was received noncommittally in Whitehall destroyers ahead to join the yesterday. But it was not denied. (Henry Stanhope writes).

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Drawings and prints by Stepha-

Widespread criticism of junta's refusal to involve politicians your country will be respon-sible."

Potential differences among Conservative MPs emerged in broadcast interviews yesterday. Mr Edward du Cann, chairman of the

tine soldiers stationed there, so that it might then be used as a forward operating base for an assault on the Falklands. It would also tighten the pressure on the Buenos Aires Government.

But it is unlikely that the grouping heading for the isolated dependency would be as large and as powerful as the Boston Globe report suggested.

Britain could accelerate the pace of things by sending the pace of things by sending the finance of the papers. If the pace of things by sending the finance from page 1 that they wanted some kind of assurance that they could of asu

read in the papers. If the Reports in several Argentine junta want us to step-up newspapers said today that support for the reconquest of the Malvinas (Falklands) they have got to let us know the real state of negotiations."

It appears that the military leaders told Mr Alexander Haig, the american secretary of State, theat a final decision would have to be reached by December 31 and

Senior Mendez went to Casa Rosada this afternoon for consultation with General Galtieri and there was some suggestion tonight that he might travel to Washington, but the Foreign Ministry

'Nixon drunk' denial

refused to comment

New York. — Dr Henry Kissinger, the former Sec-retary of State, has denied that President Nixon was ever drunk while facing crucial decisions. Speaking in a television programme, he rebutted allegations in the May issue of Atlantic magazine that Mr Nixon was frequently drunk at critical

Frank Johnson in the Commons

Jenkins rolls a jowl at the Falklands

Still no sign of the eventual outcome in the South Atlantic: but there was some movement yesterday on the home front. It took the form of Mr Roy lenkins.

The movement was in-itially confined to those of his. They began to roll about the moment Mrs Thatcher arrived for Prime Minister's question time. While she answered other Members, the rest of Mr Jenkins began to move importently in his seat below the gangway facing

He consulted some notes. He advanced to the edge of his seat with some deliberation. It was clear that he was going to put a question. This was in itself an event of a certain significance. Nothing had so far been heard from him in this crisis. Since it arose, he had all but disappeared from the public gaze.

This absence was all the more marked because in the days immediately before the Argentine action he was the subject of all our attention. He had won Hillhead. He had taken his seat. He has had taken his seat. He has put a notably incomprehensible, but no doubt distinguished, maiden question to the Prime Minister about micro-chips. All things seemed possible for him. But within days Dr David Owen had seized the SDP controls and was roaring away on the subject of submarines, frigates, and vertical take-off.

Dr. Owen is at home with or Owen is at home with such matters. Mr Jenkins is not Like Switzerland, he is prosperous, comfortable, civilized and almost entirely landlocked. His only previous contact with the high seas has been in various good fish restaurants.

Registered as a statesman

Instead of the vertical, he prefers the horizontal take-off: the unburried rise to shake a few hands in a shopping precinct after an afternoon nap at a by-elec-

in addition to all these disqualifications for the times in which we at present live, one suspects that he is almost certainly a Carringtonian at heart: a man of the world who believes that the Falklands

are a far away country of which we now know too much So it is an appalling situation in which he finds himself so soon after his triumphant return. None the less, being officially registered as a statesman, he just had to put up a show sooner or later. So yesterday he rose.

There was a murmur of expectation on both sides of the House, much of it slightly ironic. They all knew that Mr Jenkins was not really the man for the

Darting fish-like movement

"Will the Right Hon Lady, in view of the strong all-party support which the Government has rightly received during the past two-and-half weeks," he began, "bear in mind that she will be expected to take future, I hope and believe, unrushed decisions..."

At this point, as well as the statesman's emphasis on the word "unrushed", he made one of the two famous

hand movements he deploys to illustrate anything. One is a turn of the wrist with half-closed palm as if he is unscrewing a light built.
The other is a darting, fishlike movement of the whole hand. Yesterday we got the darting, fish-like movement. in an equally non-party way. This demands more than merely asking the Paymaster General (Mr Cecil Parkinson), who is chairman of the Conservative Parkinson tive Party, to a meeting of senior ministers last night. Will she seriously consider the proposal made by the hon Member for Cardiff?" Whereupon, he sat down.

Whereupon, be sat down. And that was his grand design? Apparently So. Research revealed that Mr Jenkins was referring to Mr Howells the Liberal Member from Cardigan. His proposal? All-party consultations, apparently. That, then, was the Jenkins strategy to deal with Galtieri: tea at number ten. "I ri: tea at number ten. "I must confess, I had ex-pected a more fundamental point from the Right Hon Gentleman," Mrs Thatcher told him.

But we still do not know Mrs Thatcher's intentions. In a few days, the Jenkins All-Party Tea Force may look the less risky plan. By

THE TIMES INFORMATION SERVICE

Today's events

The Duke of Gloucester, Patron. Nurfield Farming Scholrairon. Nurfield Farming Scholarship Trust, attends selection
committee for United Kingdom
Scholars. Nuffield College, Regent's Park, London, 11.45.
The Duke of Kent visits 27th
Annual International Gas Turbine Conference and Exhibition,
Wembley Conference Centre and
Arena, 3.15

Exhibitions in progress
Sculptures by Oscar Nemon,
Ashmolean Museum, Oxford;

Mon to Sat 10 to 4, Sun 2 to 4; | Sat 10 to 8, Sun 2 to 5, (until May | Queen's birthday (until May 23).

Prints by Ying Yeung Li.
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Paintings and drawings by paintings by Julie Cheng and Folk Art of West Bengal, Abbot Hall Art Gallery, Kendal, Cumbria; Mon to Fri 10.30 to 5.30, Sun 12 to 5, closed Sat, (until May 9).

Clouds: paintings and drawings of Wales, National Museum of Wales, Cathays Park, Cardiff; Mon to Sat 10 to 5, Sun 2.30 to 5, (until May 23).

Drawings, watercolours and graphic work by Oskar Koko-schka, Graves Art Gallery, Surrey Street, Sheffield; Mon to

5 Plane logs to make both banned by Union (6-9) 6 On this loose heel there's

8 Fleece Uriah's family after

demand (9)
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Solution of Puzzle No 15,810

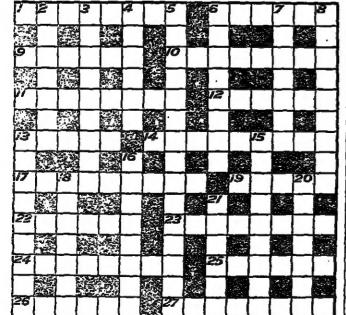
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ing a trust? Ay! (8)
18 Writer takes a nap
heather (7)

charge (4,4)

glass (9)

The Times Crossword Puzzle No 15.811



- ACROSS 1 Bit of jazz by river - a very
- noisy rabble (4-4)
 6 Aspects of reality about English society (6)
 9 Conflict about name in Hastings (6) 10 One new blend that is no good
- as food (8) 11 Message reporting mineral spring in the trench (8) 12 Redevelopment of quiet rural
- belt (6)
- 13 Take courage from a French so!dier (5)
- 14 Painter's technique is sweeping (9)
- 17 Receive capital review (4,5)
- 13 Gertrude needs gun to capture one (5)
 22 The dear child makes witty remark about university

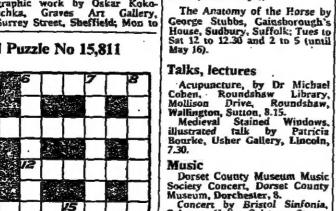
 20 Does the burning of it so enrage some people? (7)
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- course (6) 23 Bound to impede mobility for
- instance (3) 24 Drive too close to rear
- entrance (4-4) 25 Sovereign having one of mese, or four? (6)
- 25 Strong as the village blacksauth (6) 27 Newly developed diets are

more reliable (8)

DOWN

- 2 Gets drunk at cocktail parties - what language! (7)
 3 Pudding Lane sounds great!
- 4 Crafty agent traps a relative

and Sun 2 to 5; (until May 2). The Dark Hills, the Heavy



ing; Mo May 1).

Dorset County Museum Music Society Concert, Dorset County Museum, Dorchester, 8. Concert by Bristol Sinfonia, Colston Hall, Colston Street, Bristol, 7.30. Concert by Orchestra of St John's Smith Square, Hexagon, Reading, 7.30.
Concert by Scottish Chamber Orchestra, Queens Hail, Clerk Street, Edinburgh, 7.45.
Recital by Marisa Robles and

Christopher Hyde-Smith, Aberdeen Art Gallery, Aberdeen, 7.30. Handel's Messiah, by Halle Choir and Lancashire Chamber Orchestra, St Anne's Church, Manchester, 7.30.

Sporting fixtures

Football: First Division: West Bromwich Albion v Manchester City (7.30), One third division and two fourth division matches.

Racing: Flat at Epsom (2) and
Ripon (2.45). NH at Cheitenbam

7 How does love seize me? Comes up to something prohibitive (7) Tennis: British hard court champiouships, Bournemouth. Cricket: Cambridge University v Glamorgan (11.30 to 6.30).

Anniversaries

Births: Catherine the Great, Empress of Russia, Stettin, 1729; Friedrich Froebel, German edu-cationist, Ober Wiessbach, Germany, 1782; Charlotte Bronte, Thornton, Yorks, 1816; Henry Thorncon, Yorks, 1816; Henry VII died at Richmond, Surrey, 1509; Mark Twain died at Redding, Conn., USA, 1910.

Marathon party

After the London Marathon on May 9, the whole of the covered market area at Covent Garden is to be taken over for an evening jamboree following the presen-tation of the marathon prizes inider the portice of St Paul's Church. There will be buskers and jazz bands, stilt walkers. Disney characters and a fairground. Six thousand tickets at £2 each are now on sale in aid of the Greater London Fund for the Blind, and are obtainable from the London Tourist Information. the London Tourist Information Centre at Victoria Station (01-730 0791) or from County Hall (01-633 1633 or 633 1721).

The Queen was born on April 21, 1926, at 17 Bruton Street, London. There will be a 41 gun calute by the King's Troop, Royal Norse Artillery, in Hyde Park topposite the Dorchester Hotel) at 12; and a 62 gun salute by the Honourable Artillery Company, Taver Wharf, EC3, at 1. An Alternative Art; exhibition of American primitive painting, Museum and Art Gallery, Worth-iegt Mon to Sat 10 to 5, (until nie Fryer; Museum Art Gallery, The Green, Stafford; Tues to Sat

Roads

ondon and the South-east: M1: Entry and exit at junction 13 (Bedford A5140) closed; major repairs between junctions 12 and 13. A281: Temporary signals at Cowfold, S of Horsbam. A12:

Cowfold, S of Horsham. A12:
Overnight repairs W of Chelmsford; long delays.

Midlands: A625: Closed at Mam
Tor., Derbyshire, diversion. A5:
Single line traffic and temporary
signals N of Nuneaton. A45:
Temporary signals near junction
16 of M1; also between Wellingborough and Little Irchester,
Northamptonshire.

borough and Little Irchester, Northamptonshire.
North: A1(M) and A66(M): Lane closures N of Scotch Corner to junction with A68, and on A66(M). N Yorkshire. A1: Roadworks at Barnsdale Barj Redhouse, S Yorkshire, long delays. A6120: Roadworks on Leeds outer ring road at Weetwood Lane junction.
Wates and the West: A449: Wales and the West: A449: Roadworks N of Whitehill Farm on Caerleon Monmouth road, A4042: Roadworks near Croesy-

A4042: Roadworks near Croesyceiliog by-pass, between Newport and Poutypool. A303: Lane closures at Amesbury, Wiltshire. Scotland: A93: Temporary signals on Dundee Road, Perth. M90: Single lane northbound at junction 3 (Cowdenbeath); lane closures both ways at junction 2 (A823, Dunfermline). M9: Lane closures from Craigforth (junction 10) to Dumbarton Road.

Postnotes

From today, postnotes—
prepaid letters for mailing anywhere in the United Kingdom—
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paper.

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TV top ten

National top ten television pro-grammes in the week ending April 11:

Coronation Street (Wed) Granada (16.90m) The Benny Hill Thames (16.20m) Show (Mon

Coronation Street Minder. Thames (15m)

3-2-1, Yorkshire (13.80m) Give Us A Clue, Thames (13.35m) Where There's Life . . ., Yorkshire (12.85m)

7=Family (12.85m) Central Fortunes, Crossroads (Tues) (12.60m) Crossroads (Wed) (12.45m)

and Sport (Sat) Dallas (13.25m) Open All Hours (12.45m) World '82 Superstars

Top of the Pops (12.05m)
The Kenny Everett Television Show (11.70m)
Chitty Chitty Bang Bang (11.55m)
A Whale For The Killing (11.50m) Years of Parkinson

Eleven Ye (10.35m) Scarlet Bucaneer (1,0.20m) BBC 2 Pot Black :82 (8.95m) Marti Caine (6.15m) Nancy Astor (Wed and Sun (5,75m) Des

O'Connor Tonight (5.75m) Tonight
(5.75m) The Mike Harding Show
(5.20m) The Treasure of Sierra Madre
(4.70m)

8=The Candidate (4.70m) 8 Heart Transplant (4.50m) The Waltons (4m)

The papers

Argentina has moved a fair bit since the first heady days of occupation, says the Daily Mirror, but it must still move a

Morning Telegraph, Sheffield urges-the Government to complete the blockade of the Falklands by declarating an air exclusion zone, which could only be interpreted as a defensive act Charter.

The Washington Post yesterday said if Argentina has made further United States mediation in the Falklands dispute point.

less, then the Reagan Adminis-tration should now support Le Figaro yesterday said the lesson to be drawn from this crisis is bow easily an armed conflict can arise and grow in a world of shrinking distances.

Parliament today

Commons (2.30): Debate on Government's White Paper on expenditure plans.
Lords (2:30): Debate on
the consequences of privatizing
publicly owned companies.

Weather forecast

A weak trough will move into W Scotland and N Ireland.

6 am to midnight

London, SE, Central S and SW England, E Anglia, Midlands, Channel Islands, S Weles: Dry. variable cloud, sunny intervals; wind variable, light; max temp 15 to 17C (59 to 63F).

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Borders, Edinburgh and Dundee, Aberdeen: Mostly dry, bright or sunny periods, becoming cloudier later; wind V, light to moderate; max temp 12 to 14C (44 to 57F).

SW. HE and MW Scotland, Glasgow, Central Highlands, Moray Firth, Argyll, N Ireland: Bright or sunny to start, becoming cloudier with rain at times, clearing later; wind SW. moderate to fresh; max lemp 10 to 13C (50 to 55F).

Orkney, Shelland: Bright or sunny at first, becoming cloudier with rain;

first, becoming cloudier with rain; wind SW, moderate to fresh; max temp 7 to 9C (45 to 48F).
Outlock for tomorrow and Friday: Mostly dry with sunny periods but cloudier in the far north. Rather

SEA PASSAGES: S North Sea, Straits of Dorer, English Channel: Wind NW moderate, good; sea slight. St George's Channel, Irish Sea: Wind W, moderate; sea slight.

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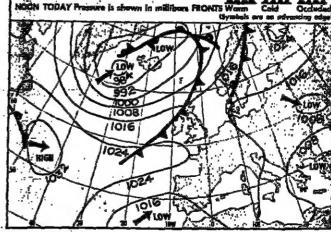
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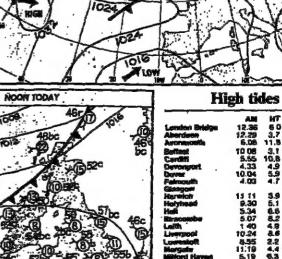


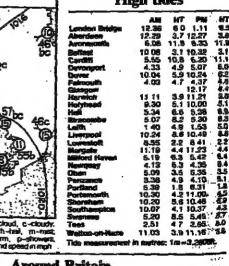
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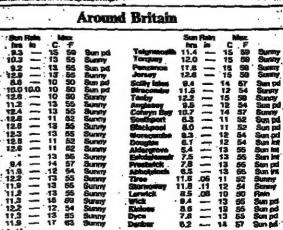
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